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Agreement entered into between Loring  
A Chase party of the first part and each  
and every one of the other signers herof par-  
ties of the second part -

Witnesseth: Said party of the first part has  
with others procured the incorporation by  
special charter of The Winter Park Company  
in the State of Florida as a land company,  
to hold the several lots of land and other  
property formerly owned by Chapman and  
Chase jointly at Winter Park Orange County  
Florida, being the property a half interest  
in which was deeded and otherwise convey-  
ed to said Chase by said Chapman on  
or about the thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) day of February  
A.D. 1885: Said Company to have a capit-  
al stock of Three Hundred Thousand (300,000)  
Dollars divided into Three Thousand (3,000)  
shares of One Hundred (100) Dollars each  
which are to be forever unassessable, and  
the holders of which are in said Charter -  
exempted from all liability beyond the amount  
of stock which respectively they may hold.  
It is therefore agreed between said parties  
as follows.

Each and every one of the said parties of  
the second part agrees that he will at the  
first meeting of the incorporators of said  
Winter Park Company, when said lots  
and other property formerly belonging to  
said Chapman and Chase as above, shall  
be turned over to said Corporation, purchase



of the said party of the first part, and pay cash therefor at the rate of forty (40) cents on the Dollar as many of the Shares of the Capital Stock of said Company, as he shall herein write against his name.

But it is specially understood, and agreed that each and every one of the parties of the second part may, if he so elect, settle for said shares of stock as above by paying one half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the amount due <sup>from</sup> him in cash and giving for the other one half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Two (2) negotiable promissory notes of equal amount bearing interest at the rate of six (6) per. Cent. per. annum one of which shall be payable one or before Three (3) months and the other on or before six (6) months from the date of said first meeting - and each and every one of the said parties of the second part hereby agrees that he will, in the event of his settling for a portion of his stock as above by notes, at once deposit all of his said shares of stock with the Treasurer of said Company, as collateral security for the payment of said notes, and hereby authorizes the Treasurer of said Company in the event of either of said notes remaining unpaid ten (10) days after maturity, to dispose of said shares of stock at public or private sale, and retain from the proceeds thereof such principle sum or sums as may then be unpaid, together with the accrued interest thereon and the costs of said sale



In consideration of which the said party  
of the first part agrees that at said meeting  
he will First: convey to said Corporation a  
perfect title to the whole of said lots and  
other property Second: That he will contribute  
to the treasury of said corporation as a  
voluntary gift, Fifteen hundred (1500) shares  
of said capital stock fully paid for, free of  
assessment, lien, incumbrance and claim.  
Third: That he will deliver to each and  
every one of the said parties of the second  
part as many of the shares of said capital  
stock as he may herein subscribe for  
Fourth: That he will pay over to the Treasurer  
of said Company all monies and notes which  
he may receive in excess of twenty thousand  
(20,000) Dollars. It is understood and agreed by  
and between the parties to this agreement  
that its fulfillment is conditional upon the  
consent of O.S. Marden, Andrew Washburn  
J.S. Gill, D.L. Gurnsey, Charles J McIntyre  
and Charles R Sherman each and every one  
to annul the former contracts for stock in the  
Winter Park Company made by them with  
Loring A Chase, and to withdraw all claims  
for stock in said company based upon said  
former contracts with said Chase. Should  
the said O.S. Marden, Andrew Washburn,  
J.S. Gill, D.L. Gurnsey, Charles J McIntyre  
and Charles R Sherman, or any of them  
refuse to annul said former contract and  
to withdraw their or his claim for stock as



1 aforesaid this agreement to be null and  
 2 void Dated Winter Park Florida March 20<sup>th</sup> 1885

Names	Number of Shares	No of Shares
Robt. G. Chase		
F. W. Lyman	Seventy five	75
Wm C Comstock	Seventy five	75
A W Rollins	Seventy five	75
E. F. Ames	Thirteen	13
L B Lawrence	Twenty five	25
Joseph B. Ames	Twelve	12
F. B. Knowles	one hundred & twenty five	125
per F. W. Lyman		
Wm C Comstock		
A W Rollins		
as authorized by him on		
March 16 <sup>th</sup> 1885		
J. A. Capen	Forty	40
Moers Lyman	Twenty five	25
per F. W. Lyman		
Alice M St John	Thirty Eight	38
John Santum	Fifteen Shares	15
E. E. Chapman	Fifteen Shares	15
P. Peckham	One hundred & twenty five	125
Chas. Harmon	Thirty	30
J. L. Bell	Ninety four	94
<del>J. L. Garrison</del>	<del>Twenty five</del>	<del>25</del>
F. G. Webster	Twenty five shares	25
Chas. R. Sherman	Fifteen shares	15
Andrew Washburn	Twenty seven	27
Nas McCulloch	Fifteen shares	15
R. L. Day	Twenty - five shares	25
per F. B. Knowles		
F. B. Knowles	Fifty four shares	54
Franklin Fairbanks	Twenty five shares	25



We hereby state that we have for value re-  
ceived, annulled the contracts immediately  
above referred to and withdrawn all claims  
thereunder

J. S. Gill

J. L. Guernsey

Chas. R. Sherman

Andrew Washburn

O. S. Marden

Chas. McIntire





Winter Park Orange Co. Florida

March 30<sup>th</sup> 1885

To Loring A Chase, Oliver E Chapman  
Orison S Marden, Frank G. Webster and  
J. F. Welborne named as incorporators in  
the special charter passed by the Legislature  
of the State of Florida in February A D 1885  
incorporating the Winter Park Company

You are hereby notified that the first  
meeting of the incorporators will be held on  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April A D 1885 at 7  
O'clock P.M. at the office of the company in  
Winter Park, Orange Co, Florida for the pur-  
pose of voting upon the acceptance of the  
Charter and organizing said corporation by  
the adoption of by laws and the election of  
officers and for the transaction of such other  
business as may properly come before the  
meeting

Loring A Chase

One of the incorporators

Orange Co. S. S. Winter Park Fla. Mch 30 1885

I hereby certify that I have served the  
foregoing notice upon each of the incorporators  
above named by mailing to each at his  
proper post office address a copy of the same  
two weeks before the day fixed for said first  
meeting

Loring A Chase

Orange County, S. S. Winter Park Fla

1885

Subscribed and sworn to before me

See original Scrapbook for entire agreement.

The undersigned incorporators mentioned  
in the Act to incorporate the Winter Park  
Company hereby acknowledge that they have  
received from Loring A Chase a true copy  
of the foregoing notice and that the same was  
legally served

Frank G. McKim  
O.S. Marden



86.  
Records of The Winter Park Company.  
Winter Park Orange Co. Fla Mch 30<sup>th</sup> 1885

To Loring A Chase, Oliver E Chapman,  
Orison S Marden Frank G Webster and J  
F Welborne named as incorporators in the  
special charter passed by the Legislature  
of the State of Florida in February AD 1885  
incorporating The Winter Park Company

You are hereby notified that the first  
meeting of the incorporators will be held on  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April AD 1885, at seven O'clock  
P.M. at the office of the company in Winter  
Park Orange County Florida for the purpose  
of voting upon the acceptance of the charter  
and organizing said corporation by the adoption  
of by laws and the election of officers  
and for the transaction of such other business  
as may properly come before the meeting

Loring A Chase

One of the incorporators.

Orange Co. Fl. Winter Park Fla Mch 30<sup>th</sup> 1885

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing  
notice upon each of the incorporators  
above named by mailing to each at his  
proper post office address a copy of the  
same two weeks before the day fixed for  
said meeting Loring A Chase



The undersigned incorporators mentioned in the Act to incorporate The Winter Park Company hereby acknowledge that they have each received from Loring A Chase a true copy of the foregoing notice and that the same was legally served.

"Signed by the incorporators"

Winter Park Orange Co Fla. Apl 16<sup>th</sup> 1885

Pursuant to the above notice the first meeting of The Winter Park Company was held at Winter Park today in the office of the Company. Loring A Chase, Oliver E Chapman and James F. Welborne being present.

The meeting was called to order at seven PM by Mr Chase and Mr Welborne was chosen temporary chairman and Mr Chapman as temporary Secretary.

Voted to adopt the following Charter granted to the Company by the Legislature of the State of Florida and that the same be entered upon the records.

Voted to adopt the following by laws of The Winter Park Company.

Voted that a subscription list be opened for the shares of the Capital Stock of The



Winter Park Company the amount of said subscription to be paid for at par.

The Secretary then read the following

Winter Park Fla. Apl 16<sup>th</sup> 1885.

The Winter Park Company,

Gentlemen,

The undersigned do hereby subscribe for the number of shares of stock in your Company set against our names

Spring A Chase - Twenty Nine Hundred Ninety shares

F. W. Lyman One share

O. E. Chapman Six shares

A. W. Rollins One share

J. F. Welborne Two shares.

Voted that the subscriptions of Mr Chase Mr Chapman, Mr Lyman, Mr Rollins and Mr Welborne be accepted and that the proper officers be instructed to issue to each of them certificates for the number of shares for which he has subscribed when he shall have paid for them in full.

The Secretary then read the following letter

Winter Park Fla Apl 16<sup>th</sup> 1885.

The Winter Park Company

Gentlemen - I hereby offer in payment for the Twenty Nine Hundred



and ninety shares of stock in your Co. for which I have subscribed, the lots of land and other property in Winter Park (Orange Co. Florida as described in the accompanying deed and Schedule, provided your company will pay me One Thousand Dollars in cash and assume the collection of the personal accounts named in said Schedule.

Loring A Chase,

Voted that O. E. Chapman, J. F. Welborne and A. W. Rollins be appointed a committee to examine the deed and schedule offered by Mr Chase in payment for the shares of stock in the company for which he has subscribed and report immediately a recommendation upon the same

Voted that the Secretary be instructed to furnish blank certificates of shares of stock and to procure a corporate seal and such books and stationery as is necessary for the business of the Company.

The Secretary then reported that he had caused certificates of stock to be printed and presented a copy of the same together



with a corporate seal both of which the company voted to adopt.

The following report was then read  
Winter Park Company.

Gentlemen, Your committee appointed to examine the deeds and schedule of property offered by Mr. Chase report that they have attended to their duty and are fully satisfied that the property which he has offered in payment for his subscription to the Capital Stock in your Company is of adequate value to pay for the same.

We find no encumbrance upon said property and the deed and schedule seem to be in proper form and we therefore recommend that you accept the offer made by Mr. Chase and that you assume the collection of the personal accounts mentioned in said schedule and pay him One Thousand Dollars Cash.

A. W. Rollins

J. F. Welborne

O. E. Chapman

Voted to accept the above report and that this company accept the offer of Mr. Chase contained in his letter and the deeds and schedule accompanying the same and that the permanent President and Secretary



when elected, be instructed to issue to Mr Chose certificates for Twenty Nine Hundred and Ninety shares of the Capital Stock of this company and that the Secretary pay to him One Thousand Dollars in cash and that this company assume the collection of the personal accounts mentioned in the above named schedule of which the following is a copy,

### Schedule.

Property sold by Loring A Chose this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 1885 to The Winter Park Company of Orange County Florida, for which it agrees to give him Twenty Nine Hundred and Ninety shares of stock of The Winter Park Company, and One Thousand Dollars in Cash, and it hereby assumes the collection of the personal accounts herein mentioned.

Winter Park Lots as per deeds		26962595
Barn on Lot #14		47005
Furniture &c as per list		57209
2 Horses		350
Light Wood in Pile		105
Lumber & Brick		488.02
Cash	700	
F. W. Lyman	700	
W C Cornstock	3000	
Ford.	4400	27161111



	Ford	4400	2716111
A. W. Rollins		1300	
E. F. Ames		520	
J. B. Ames		480	
Moses Lyman		1000	
A. M. St John		1520	
J. R. Tanton		600	
P. Peckham		5000	
E. A. Harmon		1200	
J. S. Gile		1880	
F. G. Webster		500	
C. R. Sherman		300	
C. J. McIntire		300	
J. F. Welborne		500	
Franklin Fairbanks		500	20000
2700 Nursery Trees			270
H. Huntington's Notes			16775
John R. Mizell			1275
P. R. Mansfield			1351
Lyman Bank			77188
283 Orange Trees N. Groves 8 <sup>00</sup>	2264		
11 " " " "	11		
2 " " Middle " old	150		
308 " " " " 8 <sup>00</sup>	2464		
17 " " " "	17		
277 " " South " 8 <sup>00</sup>	2216		
31 " " " "	3100	7153	
			300,00000



Voted to proceed to the election of officers of this company.

A ballot was then taken for President and Mr. F. W. Lyman was unanimously elected to that office.

Mr. Lyman, being absent the temporary Chairman called for ballots for Vice President and Franklin Fairbanks was unanimously elected to that office and immediately took the chair, and called for ballots for Treasurer and Frank H. Webster was unanimously elected to that office.

A ballot was then taken for Secretary and Loring A. Chase was unanimously elected to that office and immediately assumed his duties.

The foregoing is a true record of the proceedings of this Company until the installation of L. A. Chase as Secretary of the company.

O. E. Chapman

Temporary Secretary

J. F. Welborne

Temporary Chairman



Voted that whereas the Winter Park Com-  
pany has received from F. W. Lyman,  
Loring A Chase, A. W. Rollins, O. E. Chapman  
and J. F. Welborne the full value of Three  
Hundred Thousand Dollars in full pay-  
ment for its Three Thousand shares of  
Capital Stock; The President and Secretary  
are hereby ordered to issue certificates for  
said shares as follows To

Loring A Chase Twenty Nine Hundred Ninety shares.

Frank W Lyman One share

A. W. Rollins One share

O. E. Chapman Six shares

J. F. Welborne Two shares.

The Secretary then presented the following.

Winter Park April 16<sup>th</sup> 1885.

I have to report that I have caused  
certificates of shares in The Winter Park  
Company to be issued as follows For F. W.  
Lyman One share, A. W. Rollins One share.  
O. E. Chapman Six shares, J. F. Welborne Two  
shares for which I have received One  
Thousand Dollars in Cash. I have also  
in obedience to your instructions caused  
certificates for Twenty Nine Hundred and  
Ninety shares to be issued to Loring A Chase  
I have also to report that Loring A Chase



has transferred shares in the Co. as follows

F. W. Lyman	Twenty four shares	74
W. C. Constock	Twenty five	75
L. A. Butterfield	Seven	7
Al W. Rollins	One Hundred twelve	112
E. F. Ames	Thirteen	13
Lewis H. Lawrence	Twenty five	25
J. B. Ames	Twelve	12
F. B. Knowles	One Hundred Seventy nine	179
James S. Capen	Fourteen	14
Samuel S. Capen	Thirteen	13
Chas. M. Capen	Thirteen	13
Moses Lyman	Twenty five	25
Joseph R. Tanton	Fifteen	15
Peter Peckham	One Hundred Twenty five	125
E. A. Harmon	Thirty	30
James S. Lee	Ninety four	94
Frank G. Webster	Twenty five	25
Chas R. Sherman	Fifteen	15
Andrew Washburne	Twenty Seven	27
Chas J. McIntire	Fifteen	15
R. L. Day	Twenty five	25
O. E. Chapman	Nine	9
Franklin Fairbanks	Twenty five	25
J. F. Welborne	Twenty Three	23
Winter Park Co.	Fifteen Hundred	1500

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Loring, a Chase  
Secty.



Voted to accept and adopt the above report of the Secretary.

The following communication was then read by the Secretary.

Boston Mass, April 16<sup>th</sup> 1885,  
Directors Winter Park Co.  
Winter Park Florida

Gentlemen, I hereby tender my resignation as Director in The Winter Park Company.

Frank G Webster,

Voted to accept Mr Webster's resignation. A ballot was then taken to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Mr. Webster, which resulted in the unanimous election of Mr. A. W. Rollins. who being present accepted the position and took his place as a Director.

The Secretary then read the following communication.

Winter Park Fla. April 16<sup>th</sup> 1885,  
Directors Winter Park Company.

Gentlemen, I hereby tender my resignation as Director in The Winter Park Company.

O E Chapman

Voted to accept Mr. Chapman's resignation.



A ballot was then taken which resulted  
in the unanimous election of F. W. Lyman  
to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation  
of Mr Chapman

A ballot was then taken for Two Directors  
in compliance with Section 14 of the Charter  
which resulted in the election of F. B. Knowles  
& W. C. Comstock

Voted to adjourn the meeting of the  
Board of Directors subject to the call of  
the Secretary.

A true record

Loring A Chase Secretary  
Franklin Fairbanks Vice Pres



89  
Know all men by these Presents, That I the  
undersigned Director in The Winter Park Com-  
pany of Winter Park Florida do hereby appoint  
Loring A Chase my true and lawful Attorney  
with powers of substitution for me and in my  
name to vote at the meeting of the Directors of  
said Company to be held at any time and  
place during my term of office, <sup>unless duly revoked by me</sup> or at any  
adjournment thereof with all the powers I  
should possess if personally present

Boston Mass Apr 6<sup>th</sup> 1885

Witness,

E. A. Brown  
E. P. Drury.

O. S. Marden

Know all men by these Presents, That I  
the undersigned, one of the Incorporators of  
The Winter Park Company of Winter Park  
Florida do hereby appoint A. W. Rollins my  
true and lawful Attorney, with power of sub-  
stitution, for me and in my name, to vote  
at the meeting of the Incorporators of said  
Company, to be held at Winter Park April  
16<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1885 or at any adjournment thereof,  
with all the powers I should possess if  
personally present

Boston Mass April 6<sup>th</sup> 1885.

Witness,

E. A. Brown  
E. P. Drury.

O. S. Marden



Know all men by these presents, That I  
the undersigned, one of the Incorporators of  
The Winter Park Company of Winter  
Park Florida do hereby appoint Frederick  
W. Lyman my true and lawful Attorney,  
with power of substitution, for me and in  
my name to vote at the meeting of the In-  
corporators of said Company, to be held at  
Winter Park on April 16<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1885 or at  
any adjournment thereof, with all the powers  
I should possess if personally present  
Boston Mass April 6<sup>th</sup> 1885

Witness,

J. W. Linnick  
L. J. Evans

Frank G. Webster

Winter Park Fla.  
April 15<sup>th</sup> 1885

I have this day sold to S. A. Char  
my interest in lumber & brick  
on the Hotel lot, at Winter Park,  
the price for same being \$17,000  
thousand, twenty three &  $\frac{55}{100}$  Dollars  
for which he agrees to deliver  
me fifty shares of The Winter  
Park Co's stock, to be held by  
them as collateral for the  
payment of my notes payable  
to F. G. Webster Treasurer

P. Peckham



## Schedule.

Property sold by Loring A Chase this 16 day of April 1885 to The Winter Park Company of Orange County Florida, for which it agrees to give him 2990 shares of stock of The Winter Park Co. and one thousand Dollars in cash, and it hereby assumes the collection of the personal accounts herein mentioned.

x	Winter Park Lots as per deeds		\$269,625.95
	Barn on Lot #14		470.05
	Furniture &c as per list		572.09
	2 Horses		350.00
	Light wood in pile		105.00
	Lumber & Brick		488.02
	Cash	700	
	F. W. Lyman	700	
	W. C. Comstock	3000	
	A. W. Rollins	1300	
	E. F. Ames	520	
	J. B. Ames	480	
	M. Lyman	1000	
	A. M. St John	1520	
	J. R. Panton	600	
	P. Peckham	5000	
	E. A. Harmon	1200	
	J. S. Gill	1880	
	F. G. Webster	500	
	C. R. Sherman	300	
	C. J. McIntyre	300	
	J. F. Welborne	500	
	Franklin Fairbanks	500	20,000.
2700	Nursery Trees		270.
	Henry Huntington's Notes		167.75
	John R Mizell		12.75
	P. R. Mansfield		13.51
x	Lyman Bank Checks		771.88
283	Orange Trees North Grove	8 <sup>00</sup>	2264
11	" " " " "		11
2	" " " " " old		150
308	" " " " "	8 <sup>00</sup>	2464
17	" " " " "		17
277	" " " " " South	8 <sup>00</sup>	2216
31	" " " " "		31
			\$7153.00
			300,000.00



92.  
The Secretary then presented the following

Winter Park April 16<sup>th</sup> 1885.

I have to report that I have caused certificates of shares in The Winter Park Company to be issued as follows. To

F. W. Lyman One Share

A. W. Rollins One share

O. E. Chapman Six shares

J. F. Wilborne Two shares

for which I have received One Thousand Dollars in cash, I have also in obedience

to your instructions caused certificates for Twenty Nine Hundred and Ninety shares to be issued to Loring A Chase

I have also to report that Loring A Chase has transferred shares in the Company as follows To

F. W. Lyman	Seventy four shares	74
Wm C Cornstock	Seventy five shares	75
L. A. Butterfield	Seven "	7
A. W. Rollins	One Hundred Twelve	112
E. F. Ames	Thirteen Shares	13
Lewis H Lawrence	Twenty Five "	25
J. B. Ames	Twelve "	12
F. B. Knowles	One Hundred Seventy Nine	179
James S Capen	Fourteen Shares	14
Samuel S Capen	Thirteen Shares	13
Charles M Capen	Thirteen Shares	13
		537



Moses Lyman	Twenty five shares	537 25
Joseph R Tatum	Fifteen	15
Piley Peckham	One Hundred Twenty Five	125
E. A. Harmon	Thirty	30
James S Gill	Ninety Four	94
Frank G Webster	Twenty Five	25
Charles R Sherman	Fifteen	15
Andrew Washburn	Twenty Seven	27
Charles J McIntyre	Fifteen	15
R. L. Day	Twenty five	25
O. E. Chapman	Nine	9
Franklin Fairbanks	Twenty five	25
J. F. Welborne	Twenty Three	23
The Winter Park Co	Fifteen Hundred	1500
		2490

Spring A. Chase  
Secretary



Boston Mass April 1885  
 Directors Winter Park Co  
 Winter Park Fla  
 Gentlemen:  
 I hereby tender  
 my resignation as Director in The Winter  
 Park Company  
 Frank G Webster

The Secretary then read the following  
 Winter Park Fla April 16<sup>th</sup> 1885  
 The Winter Park Company  
 Gentlemen.

The undersigned do  
 hereby subscribe for the number of shares  
 of stock in your company set against  
 our names

Loring A. Chase	Twenty Nine Hundred Ninety Shares	2990
F. W. Lyman	One Share (1)	1
O. E. Chapman	six shares (6)	6
A. W. Rollins	one share (1)	1
J. F. Welborne	Two <del>Shares</del> " (2)	2

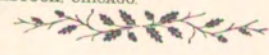
# The Winter Park Company,

**WINTER PARK.**  
 Is 120 miles south of Jacksonville on  
 the crest of the "divide" or water shed  
 of the State; 40 miles from the Atlantic  
 and 80 from the Gulf. Nine beautiful  
 lakes with high banks within 1 1/2 miles  
 of Railroad depot, with over ten miles  
 of lake frontage; no malaria; purest of  
 water; six daily trains; no saloons, no  
 swamps; seat of Rollins College, and  
 the social and literary centre of Florida.  
 Address L. A. CHASE, Sec'y for maps.

CAPITAL \$300,000, FULLY PAID AND FOREVER NON-ASSESSABLE  
 SPECIAL CHARTER FROM STATE OF FLORIDA.

**Officers and Directors.**  
 FREDERIC W. LYMAN, MINNEAPOLIS MINN., PRESIDENT.  
 FRANKLIN FAIRBANKS, ST. JOHNSBURY, VT., VICE PRES'T.  
 FRANK G WEBSTER, BOSTON MASS., TREASURER.  
 LORING A CHASE, WINTER PARK, SECRETARY.  
 FRANCIS B. KNOWLES, WORCESTER, MASS.  
 JAMES F. WELBORNE, WINTER PARK.  
 ALONZO W. ROLLINS, CHICAGO.  
 WM. C. COMSTOCK, CHICAGO.

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 Of 200 rooms, superbly located on high  
 ground, between two lovely lakes, will  
 open for guests Jan. 1st, 1886. Will be  
 first-class in every respect; equal if not  
 superior to any hotel in Florida. Ele-  
 vator; heated by steam; Steam Yachts;  
 Lawn Tennis; Bowling Alley; Racine  
 Boats; beautiful drives among the pines  
 and orange trees. W. E. FORBES of the  
 St. James, Jacksonville, Manager. Ad-  
 dress L. A. CHASE, Sec'y, for Circulars.





94.  
The Secretary then read the following letter.

Winter Park Fla April 16 "1885

The Winter Park Company

Gentlemen, I hereby offer in payment for the twenty nine hundred and ninety shares of stock in your company for which I have subscribed, the lots of land and other property in Winter Park Orange County Florida as described in the accompanying deed and schedule, provided your company will pay me one thousand dollars in cash and assume the collection of the personal accounts named in said schedule

Loring A. Chase

The Secretary then read the following letter.

Winter Park Fla. April 16, 1885

The Winter Park Company

Gentlemen. I hereby offer in payment for the twenty nine hundred and ninety shares of stock in your company for which I have subscribed, the lots of land and other property in Winter Park Orange County Florida as described in the accompanying deed and schedule, provided your company will pay me one thousand dollars in cash and assume the collection of the personal accounts named in said schedule.

Loring A. Chase

The following report was then read.

Winter Park Company

Gentlemen. Your committee appointed to examine the deeds and schedule of property offered by Mr. Chase report that they have attended to their duty and are fully satisfied that the property which he has offered in payment for his subscription to the Capital stock in your company is of adequate value to pay for the same. We find no encumbrances upon said property and the deed and schedule seem to be in proper form and we therefore recommend that you accept the offer made by Mr. Chase, and that you assume the collection of the personal accounts mentioned in said schedule and pay him one thousand dollars cash.

A.W. Rollins

J.F. Welborne

O.E. Chapman

ing the day and bonfires were kept lighted at night. In the evening at 8 o'clock an impromptu reception was given at the residence of Mr. F. W. Lyman. Everybody attended disposed to congratulate each other, but most anxious to pay their respects to Mr. A. W. Rawlings, who made the generous contribution of \$50,000 toward the erection of the College building. A beautiful poem written for the occasion was read by the authoress, Mrs. Emil Huntington Miller. Speeches were made by the Rev. Dr. Hooker, Rev. Dr. Kitchen, Messrs. Fairbanks and Rollins, after which a collation was served by the ladies to which all were invited—partook and enjoyed. The college site is a beautiful 10 acre tract overlooking Lake Virginia, donated by the Winter Park Co. It is proposed to have the work of construction well under way by the coming fall. Who can foretell the grandeur of this beginning? LAX.





The St. James.

J. W. Campbell,  
Proprietor.

Jacksonville, Florida, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> 1885.

We hereby authorize  
F. W. Lyman & L. A. Chase  
Pres. & Secy of the Winter Park Co.  
Contract with McGuire & McDonald  
other responsible party or parties  
to build a One hundred  
fifty room Hotel at Winter Park  
such terms as they may  
see upon. Also to borrow Fifty  
thousand Dollars (\$50,000) or less  
not over Eight (8) percent.  
to engage W. E. Forbes as  
manager of the Hotel, at a salary  
\$1200 per year, & room & board  
himself & wife during the  
time the Hotel is open —  
to "or other responsible party or parties"

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J. Campbell, Jacksonville, Fla.  
Proprietor Apr. 22d, 1885

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The words "or other responsible  
party or parties" were interlined  
before the signatures were appended.

A. W. Rollins  
F. B. Knowles  
L. A. Chase  
F. W. Lyman  
J. F. Welborne  
W. C. Comstock  
per F. W. Lyman, Atty.  
O. S. Marden  
per L. A. Chase, Atty.

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and thriving village. It is in the very center of one of the most thickly populated and prosperous sections of the State. From Sanford to Orlando is almost a continuous village, and the whole region of Orange county is one of rapid and marked development. The same splendid enterprise which secured the college for Winter Park, will assure to the institution that inter-



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F B Knowles

Do. G. Chase

J. W. Lyman

J. I. Melbourn

W. C. Cornstock

per J. W. Lyman atty.

D. S. Marden

per G. W. Chase atty



The Congregational denomination was almost an unknown quantity in Florida when the writer came here five years ago. As a religious denomination it had little or no strength, and its power was not recognized. Now churches have been organized in nearly all of the principal towns of the State, and under the leadership of earnest and aggressive men the strength is increasing wonderfully. Few better or more efficient workers are to be found anywhere than Rev. Dr. Hooker, of Winter Park. He located here when the native soil had hardly been turned up to Christian sunlight. He has planted and watered, and the seed sown by his hand, through the blessing of his Master, is bearing abundant fruit. The denomination to which he belongs recently decided that it was feasible and advisable to found a college in Florida. To outsiders the task looked too great, and there seemed little hope of the success of such an institution. But those who had faith exemplified it by their works. They invited the several prominent towns in the State to compete for the honor of the location, it being understood that the town offering the largest inducements would claim the college. Only a few towns seemed to take any special interest in the matter. The competitors were Jacksonville, Daytona, Interlachen, Orange City, Mount Dora and Winter Park. The last two named are in Orange county, and it may be gratifying to the residents of the county to know that Winter Park's bid was the largest of any received, and that of Mount Dora next, the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars being pledged by the aspiring little town on the western border of the county. But Winter Park bears off the prize. The spirit of princely munificence seems to have possessed the gentlemen who have taken hold of that town, and nowhere has it been exhibited more effectively than when an offer of \$114,000 was made to the college, should the committee to whom the matter of location was entrusted see fit to locate it there. This offer entirely did away with every feature of competition, and the committee promptly decided to accept the generous offer. This amount includes a college site of ten acres, situated upon a beautiful elevation on the bank of Lake Virginia and overlooking several lakes of various sizes. The site is an eligible and attractive one. The

location is healthy as any spot in the world, and the surroundings all that could be desired by pupils or by parents and guardians. The moral atmosphere is as pure as the breezes from the crystal lakes, and the scenery of the sort to assist in the development of the moral and good in the natures of pupils. It is fortunate for the college, and fortunate for Winter Park, that among the friends of both was found such a man as A. W. Rollins, Esq., of Chicago, whose subscription to the college fund reached the munificent sum of fifty thousand dollars. Mr. Rollins owns property near Winter Park, and spends his winters in Florida. His generous subscription in this instance proves how well he loves the State, and how much faith he has in the future development and progress of the spot he has chosen. In his honor the college has been christened "Rollins College," and he merits the distinction. It is expected that Rollins College will be to the South what Yale and Harvard have been to the East, and that its fame as an institution of learning will rival theirs. It is not the intention to put up the main building at once. Two or three buildings will be erected during the summer, and the intention now is to open the college by the middle of October next. The amount already received will not by any means meet the cost of buildings and properly endow the institution. Opportunity will be given to other philanthropic gentlemen to contribute for this purpose, and it is to be hoped that

there may be others as ready and as liberal as Mr. Rollins. With such a start there will be no lack of aid when the time comes. The *REPORTER* will suggest that such as may feel inclined to assist communicate with Rev. E. P. Hooker, of Winter Park.

On Saturday morning last a dispatch was received announcing the decision of the committee, locating the college at Winter Park, and this fact, together with the recent success of the town site and hotel schemes, seemed to justify a sort of celebration on the part of the citizens.

The ringing of the church bell upon receipt of the dispatch announced the cheering character of the news, and arrangements were at once made for a gathering of the citizens in the evening.

At night the residence of F. W. Lyman was thrown open, and the convocation took the form of a reception to Mr. A. W. Rollins, whom all felt disposed to honor. It was right and proper that some sort of expression be given to the gratitude which all felt for his munificent gift. Again the bell was rung, and a huge bonfire was lighted in the street. Inside the residence speeches were made by Mr. Rollins, Mr. Fairbanks, Rev. Drs. Kitchel and Hooker, and others. Vocal and instrumental music enlivened the scene, and the following poem, written for the occasion, was read by the talented authoress Emily Huntington Miller, of Chicago, who has located at Winter Park.

In the old days when might was king on earth,  
And love was but a suppliant at his court,  
The sovereign monarch of a hundred realms  
Made a great feast, in honor of his throne.

**FLORIDA** enquirers, by sending address to Winter Park Co., Winter Park, Orange Co., Fla., will receive, free, a handsome illustrated pamphlet containing a full description of that beautiful and flourishing town with map showing its 16 lovely lakes; pictures of its magnificent hotel—"The Seminole;" prospectus of its Rollins College, valuable facts pertaining to the State in general with map, etc.

#### A Breezy Note From Winter Park.

To the Editor.

WINTER PARK, April 20.

Knowing that you are somewhat interested in our place, I thought I would write to let you know what has been going on for the last few weeks. We have succeeded in organizing a stock company, headed by such men as Col. Franklin Fairbanks and Mr. F. B. Knowles, of the Fairbanks Scale Company; Mr. F. W. Lyman, of Minneapolis; Mr. A. W. Rollins, a prominent capitalist of Chicago; Mr. W. C. Comstock, of the Chicago board of trade; Mr. L. A. Chase and others.

#### A HOTEL AND A COLLEGE.

The plans are all ready for one of the finest hotels in Florida, and we have secured the location of a college that starts off with a fund of \$150,000 under the patronage of the Congregational association of the United States, so that the question of so many, "How can we educate our children in Florida?" is settled as far as our locality is concerned. So to everybody we say, if you contemplate locating in Florida, either for the sake of your health or your children's, or for business reasons, come to this most delightful spot and we can offer you all the advantages of business, health, education and pleasure that you can obtain anywhere, north or south.

#### THE BLOOMINGTON COLONY

is quite large here now and we will gladly welcome all who will come. Mr. Clarence Alcott is slowly improving. Mr. Cady is doing finely and we hope to make a genuine "cracker" of him. The balance of the colony is well and manage to barely exist on strawberries, peas, lettuce, tomatoes, beets, cabbage, etc., fresh from the garden. With kindly remembrances to all old friends,

Very respectfully,  
NEPAC.

For the "Rugby Monthly."

#### Letter from Florida.

WINTER PARK, FLA., April 10, 1885.

Dear Doctor Murphy:—I thought it might interest my classmates to receive a few lines from me in regard to Florida. We are living in a town called Winter Park. Three years ago this place was a forest of pines; nothing had been done except to build a railroad through it. The road commences at Sanford, a small town on the St. John's River, and formerly terminated at Orlando, the county seat of Orange county. The road is what is called a narrow gauge, and when I ride in the cars I just feel as if I was going to tip over. One year ago this road was extended to Tampa, and all you boys know that it is on the Gulf of Mexico.

We have a small cottage at Winter Park on the bank of lake Osceola, just about the locality where the old Indian chief Osceola had his camping ground. The lake is a beautiful stream of water about a quarter of a mile long; the water is very deep, in many places reaching to a depth of fifty feet. It is well stocked with fish, bass being the most numerous. Occasionally we see a large alligator, but I have not yet ventured to take a ride on one of them.

At the head of Lake Osceola is a piece of hammock land, so called because of its dense undergrowth and large oak trees and rich soil. Occasionally a huge wildcat comes out of this piece of woods and crosses the road ahead of us, but shows no disposition to fight.

A few years ago, so one of the older citizens, Judge Mozelli, tells me the peculiar howl of the panther could be heard within a short distance of his log cabin. But as we boys invade their homes they fall back into the woods where we chaps can't get a shot at them.

The scenery around here is quite romantic—you might call it beautiful. Pine trees are the principal growth, interspersed with oak. The Florida moss intertwining and festooning from tree to tree as it waves to and fro by the wind, produces a weird or ghost-like appearance.

Birds are quite plenty; some of beau-

are not enough pupils to fill it."

In the first place Jacksonville has no right to complain at the location of this institution elsewhere. With fair warning and an equal opportunity to bid, the whole city of Jacksonville did not offer as much in the way of inducement as a single citizen of Winter Park. A magnificent bid of \$100,000 not to be weighed against the pitiful offer in Jacksonville of a building site with a sum of money in addition just about sufficient to buy a bell. In the same manner this rich metropolis allowed a little village like DeLand to outbid it for the Baptist Female Seminary.

Jacksonville evidently does not care for the location of these Institutions of learning. We don't feel prepared to say that ever so many denominational colleges are necessary to the growth and prosperity of the city, but we do hold that neither Jacksonville nor her newspapers have a right to complain and criticise when a more enterprising community captures an influential institution by reason of its superior public spirit and liberality. 4-22-85

We think that the Congregational College was right in accepting the offer of Winter Park, and that it will do well and prosper in that beautiful

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## The Congregational Association Locates Its School at Winter Park.

STANFORD JOURNAL, St. Johns River, April 18.  
To the Editor of the TIMES-UNION:

The question of locating the college was decided by the Congregational Association in favor of Winter Park. The association convened in Mount Dora and adjourned to Winter Park and Orange City; thus visiting the chief competing points, examining the several sites offered for campus, and listening to the arguments which each competitor advanced.

Interlachen, Jacksonville and Daytona withdrew their proposals before the report of the committee to receive and present proposals was finally accepted by the association. In the committee discharged, Mount Dora, young giant of the beautiful hills among the great lakes, was second in the amount of cash, notes, lands, etc., offered, the certified "fair valuation" of which (cash included) was over \$35,000.

Orange City, a strong rival and neighbor of DeLand, about \$15,000, an amount similarly composed and appraised, received only four fewer votes than Winter Park.

Winter Park's offer was a very liberal one, amounting in all to over \$114,000, the real estate being entered at the valuation of competent judges. Of this sum the cash and the notes running but a short time amount to \$23,000. One piece of the real estate is an orange grove of twenty-three acres, well known in Orange county, for a part of which, and that not the most desirable part, \$1,000 per acre has been offered and refused. Mr. A. W. Rollins, of Winter Park, is the largest individual giver, the total of his gifts standing at \$50,000. Surely such a princely giver to so grand an interest as the higher or collegiate education of Florida, deserves of the State, as he has received from the Congregational Association, most hearty thanks.

The association held seven sessions, the question of location became a very exciting one from the first, so sharp was the generous rivalry. At noon on the fourth day the association touched down on the goal by one formal ballot; the decision thus reached was made unanimous in favor of Winter Park, Orange City most feelingly and generously moving and seconding the unanimous rising vote. One thing certainly would have been plain to any observer, and that is that this ecclesiastical body, with its full roll of thirty-three ministers and delegates of the churches, are neither boys nor invalids, nor educational amateurs, and that they know how to take hold of college matters in a way that augurs well for success.

A board of twenty-one incorporators was chosen, who will meet next week, perfect their legal incorporation as the college trustees, and receive the offered properties.

Major A. J. Russell was elected one of these. For the public of Jacksonville I am sorry that my church and myself (with this the metropolis) were in the large majority that could not win.

I esteemed it a happy circumstance, however, that I could tender offers of sites made by such public spirited citizens as Hon. Columbus Drew, Mr. J. Follansbee, Messrs. W. & W. S. Walker, also by the Riverside Company, Messrs. W. & W. S. Walker, agents, and the generous and appreciative Springfield Company, Mr. Henry S. Ely, secretary.

Much other important business was transacted at this special meeting of the association, including the reception of four new churches and the organization of a State Home Missionary Society.

S. F. GALE.

## Congregational College.

After the preparation of an interview with Judge J. L. Welborne, embodying full particulars as to the plans and purposes of the projectors of the Congregational College at Winter Park, we find that we have only space to announce the official location of the college as aforesaid, and to remark that it is the purpose of the projectors and friends of the institution to make it the finest in the South. Official organization will take place in a few days, after which the work of erection of the buildings will progress rapidly. The building for the preparatory department will be ready by next fall. The people of Winter Park contributed \$114,000, and the Winter Park Company a lovely lot of ten acres, overlooking Lake Virginia, on the identical spot where the camp fires of Osceola, the Indian chief, used to burn. A magnificent hotel of 150 rooms, intended to be the finest in the State, will be erected at once. The company for this purpose was organized

## WINTER PARK.

## The Favorite Receives Additional Favors.

Few spots in Florida or in the South possess greater natural attractions than the little town whose name heads this article. It has none of the rugged grandeur of a mountain scene. The picture is subdued and toned down. Easy grades and gentle slopes margin the beautiful clear water lakes, giving the whole scene a quiet, restful aspect which quiets the mind, makes one feel at ease with nature, at ease with the world and at ease with the inner man. There is something which promises rest to the over-taxed brain and muscles, and which overcomes the friction of life. This is, or rather was the natural condition of that beautiful spot before the activity and bustle of a civilized centre was established there. But come what may, these natural conditions can never be removed or driven away. There will always be something peaceful and restful about the lovely lakes, the clear, cool water, the ever-green foliage upon the shores affording cool and quiet retreats at all hours and at all seasons of the year.

When the South Florida railroad was constructed, a long, sweeping curve to the eastward south of Maitland and between that point and Wilcox, took the line along the border of a group of beautiful lakes opposite the town of Osceola. This curve passed through a beautiful tract of country, where the open pine woods admitted of long stretches of vision over a slightly undulating region, and out upon the lakes. Here Messrs. Chapman & Chase purchased a large tract of land, and with a foresight which took in the brilliant and promising future, laid off a town site and began to inaugurate measures which were eventually to culminate in great things. The name of Winter Park was decided upon; as it in a measure expressed the purposes and hopes of the gentlemen who had the work in hand. They aimed to make Winter Park a Florida home for a wealthy and liberal class at the North who spend the cold months of winter in our sunny clime. In their minds it was to be the home of cultivated, refined and wealthy people, a sort of social center, where true refinement would find a welcome, but where the fashionable dissipation would find no encouragement. With this purpose in view these gentlemen have steadily worked. In soliciting investment and settlement they have scrutinized the moral worth of every prospective settler of Winter Park, and by a little adroit management have managed to secure the pure metal and reject the dross. To do this has required considerable tact and a large degree of self denial. For in a case where money was so greatly needed to carry on improvements and add to the natural attractions, one can readily understand that the temptation to accept a doubtful morality with an abundance of lucre would be somewhat hard to resist. For two summers these

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The Winter Park Company, chartered by an act of the Legislature, has been organized with a capital of \$300,000. The firm of Chapman & Chase have conveyed their interest in Winter Park to this company. The company will build for next winter's business a 100-room hotel and cottages for winter homes. Among the members of the company are President F. W. Lyman, of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Vice-President, Franklin Fairbanks, of the Fairbanks Scale Company; Treasurer F. G. Webster, of Boston; Secretary L. A. Chase, of Winter Park; F. B. Knowles, Wm. C. Comstock, Hon. Louis Lawrence, Judge Welborne and Mr. Rollins, the gentleman who subscribed \$50,000 towards the Congregational College located at Winter Park.

## WINTER PARK.

The Winter Park Company, chartered by an act of the Legislature of the State of Florida with a capital stock of \$300,000 organized at this place last Thursday by the election of Fredk. W. Lyman, of Minneapolis, Minn., President; Franklin Fairbanks, of St. Johnsburg, Vt., Vice-President; Frank G. Webster, of Boston, Treasurer; Loring A. Chase, of Winter Park, Fla., Secretary. The foregoing, with A. W. Rawlings and W. C. Comstock of Chicago and J. F. Welborne of Winter Park, constitute the Board of Directors for the ensuing year.

The company has purchased from Messrs. Chapman & Chase the entire property known as the Winter Park town site, and has in hand \$50,000 with which to begin a hotel (in fact has some brick and lumber on the ground) to be ready for occupancy by January 1st 1886. Among other improvements contemplated and to be completed by the first of the coming year, is a canal connecting lakes Virginia and Osceola sufficiently wide and deep to permit a steam yacht to pass from one lake to the other; also

street railroad leading from the South Florida depot to the hotel and college grounds. It is proposed to make Winter Park one of the most desirable health and pleasure resorts in the State of Florida. Besides these gentlemen already named in connection with the Winter Park Co., many men of wealth and prominence are associated as stockholders. Hon. Lewis Lawrence, of Utica, N. Y.; Dr. J. R. Taurum, of Wilmington, Del.; Mr. Pickman, of St. Louis, Mo.; Moses Lyman, President of Lyman Bank, Sanford, Fla.; E. A. Harmon, President National Bank of Commerce, Minneapolis, Minn.; Andrew Washburn, R. L. Day, J. L. Gill and J. C. McIntire, of Boston and many others.

On Saturday morning a telegram was received at this place announcing the fact that the Congregational Church Association of the State of Florida had finally and officially located the "Southern College" at Winter Park. General rejoicing was the order of the day, bells were rung dur-

ing the day and bonfires were kept lighted at night. In the evening at 8 o'clock an impromptu reception was given at the residence of Mr. F. W. Lyman. Everybody attended disposed to congratulate each other, but most anxious to pay their respects to Mr. A. W. Rawlings, who made the generous contribution of \$50,000 toward the erection of the College building. A beautiful poem written for the occasion was read by the authoress, Mrs. Emil Huntington Miller. Speeches were made by the Rev. Dr. Hooker, Rev. Dr. Kitchen, Messrs. Fairbanks and Rollins, after which a collation was served by the ladies to which all were invited—partook and enjoyed. The college site is a beautiful 10 acre tract overlooking Lake Virginia, donated by the Winter Park Co. It is proposed to have the work of construction well under way by the coming fall. Who can foretell the grandeur of this beginning? LAX.

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Was there foul play in the proceedings of the Congregational Association held at this place last week? has been a question thoroughly discussed upon the streets of Orange City the past week, and it is the opinion of many that S. F. Gale, of Jacksonville, took a most too conspicuous part in his fight to have and did succeed finally in locating the College at a place surrounded by swamps, and about nine months out of the year the hooting owls hoot to the few families that will forever be the only inhabitants of Winter Park. In what way Mr. Gale explains to the citizens of Jacksonville his persistent efforts in favor of Winter Park, and with no apparent sympathy for his own town is a mystery in South Florida, excepting to the few families at Winter Park. The number of petitioners for the College here quadruple the total number of inhabitants at Winter Park, including both white and black.

We clip the above from the South Florida Times, published at Orange City. No more unjust or uncalled for criticism could be conceived. The writer evidently knows little of the surroundings of Winter Park, and cares less for truth. There are few more attractive spots in Florida, and the region about Winter Park is one remarkably free from swamps or any other malarial influence. It is not only fertile and inviting, but is a thickly settled and populous region, and one of the most progressive in this part

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of the State. The action of Mr. Gale and of every other member of the committee is above suspicion. Other things being equal, they had but to consider the financial encouragement offered by the several competing points. The offer of Winter Park was more than three times that of any other place in the State.



## The Congregational College.

Winter Park, in Orange county, has offered highest to the college, viz: \$114,000 and a lot of ten acres on which to erect the buildings, and the location of the college has therefore been awarded to that place. Such an enterprising and generous a community deserve to be rewarded. The *Orlando Sentinel* says:

"The location of the proposed Congregational college was decided on Friday, while the committee of the State Association having the matter in charge was in session at Orange City. The committee met at Mt. Dora on Tuesday and at Winter Park on Wednesday afternoon. Winter Park offered money and lands amounting to \$114,000, Mt. Dora \$35,000, Orange City \$14,000, Daytona \$8,000, Interlachen \$8,000. While at Winter Park an informal vote was taken, which resulted in a vote of 11 for Winter Park, 8 for Orange City, 2 for Mt. Dora and two blanks. Considerable time was spent in the discussion of the merits of the several places, making bids, and the formal vote resulted in 13 for Winter Park, 9 for Orange City and two blanks. Winter Park's offer comprised a contribution of \$25,000 in cash, of which \$5,000 was given by Mr. Rollins, \$5,000 each by Messrs. Lyman, Knowles and Comstock, of the Winter Park Land Company, and \$5,000 from Mr. Lyman's mother. The other \$5,000 was made up of different amounts, Col. Franklin Fairbanks, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., who owns a grove in Orlando, giving \$1,000 of the amount. Colonel Fairbanks also gave liberally towards the establishment of the Congregational Church at Winter Park, and has landed interests there. A board of twenty-one Trustees was chosen, who will meet at Sanford on Tuesday, April 28th, to take the initiatory steps toward the incorporation of the college. Rev. S. D. Smith, of Orlando, Rev. Dr. Hooker and Messrs. Lyman and Knowles, of Winter Park, Rev. Mr. Tomlinson, of Longwood, Col. Fairbanks and Mr. Rollins were chosen members of the board of trustees. Chancellor Kost, and one of the regents of the State University, formally stated there is little doubt but that the college may secure the theoretical department of the University. Proper steps are taken to that end."

## WINTER PARK.

The promoters of the college heretofore located at this place, met yesterday and legally organized by the selection of Mr. Frederick W. Lyman, of Winter Park, as President; Rev. C. M. Bingham, of Daytona, Fla., vice-president; A. W. Rollins, of Chicago, Ill., Treasurer; Rev. S. D. Smith, of Orlando, Fla., Secretary; N. Barrows, of Orange City, Fla., Auditor.

To serve as Trustees for three years: Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D.; Fred. W. Lyman, A. W. Rollins, Franklin Fairbanks, Rev. M. C. Welch, N. Barrows, M. D.; Rev. J. B. Clark, Rev. L. H. Cobb, Rev. G. L. Walker.

To serve as Trustees for two years: F. B. Knowles, Henry Foster, M. D.; W. C. Comstock, Rev. J. A. Ball, Rev. S. F. Gale, R. C. Tremaine.

To serve as Trustees for one year: Rev. C. M. Bingham, Rev. H. D. Kitchell, D. D.; Hon. A. J. Russell, Rev. S. D. Smith, Rev. B. T. Stafford and Rev. J. A. Tomlinson.

Building Committee: F. W. Lyman, Dr. E. P. Hooker, Franklin Fairbanks and F. B. Knowles.

Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., was elected President of the faculty. All are well qualified for the positions assigned them, and the people interested are gratified that the enterprise starts under such very favorable auspices.

## PERSONAL.

Rev. Dr. Kitchell and his good wife left for the North on Monday. Everybody wishes them a safe journey.

The Rogers House will close on Monday, May 1st. This house has done well the past season, and deserves to.

Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Bassinger, who have been spending the winter with their son-in-law, Judge Welborn, will leave for their Northern home near Summit, N. J., in a day or two. They have made many friends in Winter Park.

## WINTER PARK.

The first order for lumber for the new hotel went in last Wednesday to the firm of Demens & Co., of Longwood. This was shipped Saturday.

## THE NEW SCHOOL.

### Organization and Incorporation of Rollins College at Winter Park.

Rev. S. F. Gale, who has been at Sanford on business connected therewith, informed a *TIMES-UNION* reporter last night that the parties who had been charged by the Congregational Association with the duty of securing the legal incorporation of the college recently located at Winter Park, met at Sanford on Tuesday and adopted a constitution and by-laws, created the board of trustees, filled the several offices, and did some additional business.

The corporation takes the name of Rollins College in honor of Mr. A. W. Rollins, its generous benefactor. The first officers are as follows: President, Mr. F. W. Lyman, of Winter Park; vice-president, Rev. C. M. Bingham, of Daytona; treasurer, Mr. A. W. Rollins; auditor, N. Barrows, M. D., of Orange City; secretary, Rev. S. D. Smith, of Orlando. Mr. Rollins will be very closely identified with the college; besides being treasurer, he will probably become the personal director of an important department of practical college work. Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., of Winter Park, becomes president of the faculty. He is every way well qualified for this position. He has had a large experience in certain branches of college work, which fits him to an unusual degree for the duties of the presidency.

The full board of trustees consists of twenty-one. They are as follows: F. B. Knowles, of Worcester, Mass.; Henry Foster, M. D., of Clifton, N. Y.; A. W. Rollins, of Winter Park; Franklin Fairbanks, of St. Johnsbury, Vt.; W. C. Comstock, of Chicago, Ill.; Rev. J. H. Ball, of New Smyrna; Rev. C. M. Bingham, of Daytona; Rev. S. F. Gale, of Jacksonville; Hon. A. J. Russell, of Jacksonville; Rev. S. D. Smith, of Orlando; Rev. B. T. Stafford, of Norwalk; Rev. J. A. Tomlinson, of Longwood; R. C. Tremaine, Esq., of Mount Dora; Rev. M. C. Welch, of Pomona; N. Barrows, M. D., of Orange City; Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., and Rev. J. B. Clark, D. D., of New York City, and Rev. G. L. Walker, D. D., of Hartford, Conn.

Steps will immediately be taken towards erecting the necessary buildings and securing desirable instructors for the autumn opening. The collegiate prospectus may be looked for soon.

## PERSONAL.

Mrs. G. H. Holland and daughter, Katie, of Fort Reed made *THE ARGUS* a short call last Friday.

J. C. Ensminger left for Independence, Iowa, Tuesday, to settle up his affairs there before returning to Florida for good.

Col. L. A. Chase, the genial and energetic founder of Winter Park, will not go North this summer, but remain here to help on the great boom that their town is enjoying.

D. F. Sayer, who has a young orange grove near Longwood, returned on a visit to his former home, Morocco, Ind., on Saturday last. He will return with his family in the fall.

We are pleased to see Mr. C. M. Long, who has been confined to his home by sickness for some time past, again on our streets. We hope it may be a long time ere he experiences another attack.

Mr. A. E. Rogers, of Winter Park, was in town last week, and made *THE ARGUS* a call. He is proprietor of the hotel at that place, and of course it would be impolite for us not to return his call. We will do so on the first favorable opportunity.

Mr. W. T. Deane, our good-looking furniture man, has gone North for a few weeks' visit, and Mr. Henley W. Smith, his genial salesman, has charge of the business in his absence. Mr. S. is a good business man, and will keep matters in A 1 shape.

Mr. Walter Tomlinson, of this city, has accepted a position in the real estate office of Maj. M. R. Marks, at Orlando, and left last Tuesday to assume the duties of his new position. Mr. Tomlinson is a pleasant, affable gentleman, a good business man—one that we regret very much to lose. Our loss will be Orlando's gain, and we commend him to the good people of that city. Success to you, Walter.

## Unjust, Because Untrue.

"Was there foul play in the proceedings of the Congregational Association held at this place last week? has been a question thoroughly discussed on the streets of Orange City the past week, and it is the opinion of many that F. S. Gale, of Jacksonville, took a most too conspicuous part in the fight to have and did succeed finally in locating the college at a place surrounded by swamps, and about nine months out of the year the hooting owls hoot to the few families that will forever be the only inhabitants of Winter Park."—*Orange City Times*.

The foregoing piece of spitefulness does no credit to the head or heart of our esteemed Brother Prevatt. Evidently it was written in a moment of disappointment, and we doubt not will be apologized for in his next issue. As to the "foul play" to which he alludes, we know nothing; but we find it impossible even to suspect that men so intelligent and representing so much money as do the Congregational Association, could be either the agents or victims of "foul play." They saw Winter Park and know, as does everyone else who has ever seen it, except Bro. Prevatt, that it is not "a place surrounded by swamps where the hooting owls hoot," &c. On the contrary, they know that it is high, rolling and healthful, situated upon the line of the South Florida railroad and bordering a chain of the purest, brightest little lakes upon the face of the earth. True its population is not now large, for a brace of years ago the solitude of this lovely little spot was unbroken save by the sighing winds and singing birds. But, even before the location of the college there, it had caught the eye of many a lover of the beautiful in nature, and promised to be the favored home in our section, of refinement and wealth. Now, however, that, in addition to its many other attractions, it is to be the seat of a great institution of learning, its growth may be expected to be marvelous—at least equal to that of Orange City. Take it back, Bro. Prevatt. You have been misled, or you are pouting.

The trustees of the Winter Park College met in the Directors' room of the Lyman Bank on Tuesday, at 9 a. m. Steps were taken to legally incorporate the institution. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, officers elected and measures put in operation to begin work on the buildings as soon as possible this summer. The College will be open to both sexes, and will contain all the departments that are necessary to a thorough education, from the kindergarten, or training school for the little ones, to the post graduate course. Dr. E. P. Hooker was elected President of the College; F. W. Lyman, President of the Board of Trustees; Rev. S. D. Smith,



## WINTER PARK.

The new church for the colored people in Hannibal Square, was dedicated on Sunday evening the 3rd inst., by music and short addresses by the Rev. Dr. Hooker, F. W. Lyman, Dr. Bassenger, Dr. Larrabee and L. A. Chase. The building which cost about \$500, is the result of movement started March 4th, when an open air meeting was held in the square addressed by F. W. Lyman, Dr. L. H. Bassenger and Dr. Larrabee. Mr. Lyman guaranteed to raise \$200, and the colored people subscribed \$220 on the spot. Mr. Lyman, Dr. Bassenger and Dr. Larrabee were elected trustees. The building is pretty and substantial and a model of its kind, and will be used for the double purpose of church and school house. The colored people of Winter Park are good citizens and are quite proud of their new building. The lot upon which it stands is at the head of Ohio avenue, and was donated by the Winter Park Company.

B. H.

Miss Carrie Bassenger spent Sunday with Judge Welborn.

Mr. W. E. Forbes of the St. James, Jacksonville, is here.

Robt. White is the fond father of a cunning little girl baby.

Mr. Frank Bartlett is now regularly engaged with the Winter Park Co.

Dr. Kitchel and wife left the 27th for their home in East Liverpool, O.

Rev. Tomlinson of Longwood, was here on Monday on college business.

Dr. and Mrs. Bassinger left Tuesday for their home in New Providence, N. J.

Mr. Fenwick and Mr. Cecil of the DeBary Line, made us a flying visit on the 29th.

Mr. Pillsbury of Belair, is thinking of locating a dairy here; hope he will, it will pay.

Messrs. Lyman, Chase and Dr. Hooker were in Sanford the 28th at the college meeting.

Major McLean, recently of the firm of Demens & Co., Longwood, made us a visit on business the 29th.

Messrs. Ira Mannery, of Jacksonville, and E. B. VanDeman, of Chaires & VanDeman, spent Saturday here.

Mr. Frank Alcott spent Sunday with his cousin Mr. Clarence Alcott who is very low with consumption.

Charles J. Ladd, of Everett, Mass., has been spending several days with his friends Morton and Butler our new merchants.

Mr. Fracker, of Iowa City, has bought a business lot, is going to build a store with furnished apartments over it, and be one of us.

Messrs. McDonald and Smith of the firm of McGuire & McDonald, who built the San Marco Hotel at St. Augustine, are spending a few days here.

The preparations for building the hotel and college are going on rapidly and a few days will see them both started and pushing vigorously forward.

Mrs. Harpole, a noble, christian lady from Bloomington, Ills., died here on the 23d. Her three daughters were with her, and on the arrival of her brother Hon. T. C. Kerrick, Friday morning, her remains were taken to Bloomington for burial.

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The total amount raised for the Congregational College by Winter Park, is \$114,000, fifty thousand of which sum is donated in real estate by Mr. Rollins, a christian gentleman, who had thought of building a college in Chicago, but being interested in the locating of the College at Winter Park, makes this large contribution to the fund. The site is a delightful one, located about fifty feet above, and overlooking Lake Virginia, a charming sheet of water, surrounded by fine residences and cultivated grounds. The good people of Winter Park are to be congratulated on their good luck in securing the grand educational prize.

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Journal 5-7-85

## WINTER PARK.

Judge Welborn was elected Attorney of the Winter Park Company.

Mr. Clarence Alcott is quite low with consumption, and it is doubtful if he rallies any.

Ida Seymour White, sounds wonderfully sweet to the ears of Mr. and Mrs. Robert White, Jr.

Messrs. Lyman and Chapman with their families left on Monday for their homes in Minneapolis and Boston via New York.

Rumor says we are to have a first-class livery stable in the near future; we certainly have a fine field for such an enterprise.

Mr. Charles, station agent here, has had his celebrated trotter, Frank S, brought here and don't propose to let anybody pass him.

Hon. Franklin Fairbanks is having a nice house put up on the Fairbank's grove for his efficient and energetic agent, Henry Chubbs.

The colored Masons expect to put up a nice hall in Hannibal Square, and the boys in the Square are busy organizing a brass band.

Mr. Butler, one of our merchants left for Boston on the 9th. Mr. Penington, just west of us has three members of his family quite sick.

We are having a great deal of inquiry for lots, both residence and business, and it looks as though the boom we have been looking for is on us in full force.

Dr. Hooker and family leave Thursday, May 14th. The Dr. will put in the summer selecting a first-class faculty for the college, which, is hoped, will be in running order by October 1st, next.

Our enterprising citizen, Mr. D. N. Batchelder has two acres of rice planted and intends putting out about as much more, so that we can probably victual the Chinese in their war with France if called upon.

Dr. Tantom and family left for their Ocean Grove home last Tuesday. Dr. Tantom was in charge of Mrs. Alb. Fish, who was quite low with consumption, and whom, it was feared, would not be able to reach home at Three Mile Bay, New York. But under the skillful treatment of Dr. Tantom, she will undoubtedly be able to do so.

Our street railway is progressing rapidly toward completion under the charge of Major McLane. He is to put in a switch from the S. F. R. R. track connecting with it, and cars of material can be switched direct to the hotel grounds; after this the track is to be used as a street railway. Messrs. McGuire, McDonald and Forbes are on the ground and working vigorously on the hotel plans, etc., and a few days now will see very lively scenes in Winter Park.

NEPAC.

Argus 5-14-85

## Rollins College and Winter Park Hotel—McGuire & McDonald aid to Build Them.

Messrs. McGuire & McDonald, of St. Augustine, have been awarded the contract of erecting the Winter Park Hotel and the Rollins College buildings. They will begin work at once on the hotel, which they expect to have ready for occupancy by December 1st. In a short while they will begin upon the Preparatory Department building of the College, and after getting that in readiness for use next fall, will go right on with the main buildings. We learn from Messrs. Mc & Mc, who favored the JOURNAL with a pleasant call, while spending some days here and in the vicinity, arranging preliminaries of their work, that the hotel, which will be four stories high, and have a frontage of 330 feet, will embrace 150 sleeping rooms, besides dining rooms, parlors, offices, etc., making in all about 200 rooms. It will be provided with all the modern improvements, such as baths, hydraulic elevators, steam laundry, gas, electric bells, billiard tables, bowling alleys, steam heating of halls, parlors and dining rooms, perfect sanitary arrangements—in fact, that it will be absolutely complete, furnished with all the latest appliances for comfort, convenience, health and pleasure. The dining room will be 100x41 feet, ceiling 20 feet high, neatly arched and handsomely decorated. Mr. McDonald will take charge of the work here, while Mr. McGuire will vibrate between here and St. Augustine where the firm have much important work in progress. Mr. McGuire will, at an early day, go North for the purchase of material and fixtures for the hotel, such as engines, elevators, piping, gas machines, sanitary appliances, etc. The managers of this work have done well to secure the services of so competent and experienced builders as McGuire & McDonald, especially in the line of hotel construction. They have a State reputation, having built the Magnolia, on the St. Johns, and lately the San Marco at St. Augustine, the largest and most elegant hotel in the State. Their skill is well known here, the addition to the Sanford House and a number of others of our largest and best buildings being the work of their hands. We shall have more to say of the work of these gentlemen as it progresses. Journal May 14-85

DR. E. P. HOOKER, of Winter Park, has recently been heard from. He is in the North working in the interest of the Winter Park college. The Doctor writes that F. B. Knowles, of Worcester, Mass., has determined to assist the college enterprise and will erect the chapel and recitation room as his part of the good work. This portion of the building or rather group of buildings will cost about ten thousand dollars, so that the aid which Mr. Knowles undertakes will be munificent. In addition to the portion which Mr. Knowles assumes, two large cottages at a cost of about seven thousand and five hundred dollars each will be put up this summer to be occupied as homes for students, one for each of the sexes. Buildings will be commenced at once.



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C.T. Buffan Esq.

Keene N.H.

My Dear Sir - In April 1883 Mr. Symonds and I bought 120 acres of land near Winter Park which was deeded to us jointly each owning an undivided  $\frac{1}{2}$  for which we paid \$3,000, each furnishing \$1500.

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The note as you will see by enclosed statement I have just paid. By said statement you will see that the two properties have cost all told in cash \$5422.14 less rents to May 1 - 85 of 577.23 makes the net cost \$4845.31.

When we bought the building it was in wretched condition; the inside was unfurnished and we furnished it into rooms for rent which have been occupied only part of the time there not being much demand for them only for 3 or 4 months in the winter - just now there are two tenants paying 47.50 per month.

It was Mr. S's idea when we bought it to put on an addition, but the poor luck in renting caused us to abandon that idea.

In reply to your question - "Are there any claims against him for which the estate can be legally or morally holden" I will say that so far as I know Mr. S. was bound on only 3 agreements to wit.

1st - A written agreement to pay \$100 towards the erection of a Congregational Church in Winter Park.

2nd - A written agreement which I hold to take 10 shares of stock in the Winter Park Hotel Co. and "to pay One Thousand Dollars upon demand" for the same.

3d - A verbal agreement made with me last fall in the Adams House Boston to sell to me his  $\frac{1}{2}$  interest in all the property here at cost adding 6 per cent interest.

In regard to #1 you will see I have charged \$100 to his account and will send you a receipt for the same from the Treas. of the Church.

In regard to #2 I have to say that the Winter Park Co. was duly organized Apr. 16/85 with F.W. Lyman President, Col. Franklin Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury, Vt. Vice Pres. F.G. Webster of Kidder Peabody & Co's. Banking House Boston Treas. and myself as Secretary. The capital stock is \$300000. divided into 3000 shares of \$100 each - has all been issued full paid and is by special charter from the Fla. legislature forever non assessable.

All the property lately owned in W.P. by Chapman & Chase has been conveyed to it. Its resources are \$280000 worth of lots and \$20000. in cash and no liabilities whatever. About 20 strong men like Col. Fairbanks, F.B. Knowles of Worcester, Mr. Webster etc. constitute the company. The stock is offered at par now but we think it will soon be worth more - it is safe and solid as the gentlemen named will say.

When the certificates were issued I had one made to me for 10 shares for Mr. S. which I will transfer as you may suggest.

When I learned of the death of Mr. S. I was making a statement of our affairs in order to avail myself of his offer to purchase his interests here, and I now submit the following

Net cost of Symond & Chases property in W.P.

Interest at 6% arranged to May 1/85

Total cost of property May 1 - 85

Cost of Mr. S's  $\frac{1}{2}$  int.

Deduct amt. due L.A.C.

\$4845.31

371.44

5216.75

2608.37

581.87

2026.50

I have taken great care and believe the foregoing to be an exact and perfect statement - if you find it satisfactory I will send you a check for \$2026.81 as soon as proper deed can be made. I enclose a blank certificate to show you the form and await your further pleasure.

I beg you to excuse my delay in attending to this matter as I have been and am very busy getting our Company matters into shape.

Hoping to hear from you soon I am

Very Truly Yours

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Copy sent May 20/85

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Second. Extension of fishing facilities. Fish are abundant in certain coves of Lake Maitland, and especially in the creeks connecting the several lakes. These fishing grounds will be made accessible, and fine fresh water fish can be supplied by fishing smacks to the Orlando market each day.

And third. Access to the entire chain of lakes for pleasure boats of persons located on any one of them, an extension of pleasure which will be prized by many.

Several persons have expressed the desire to put steam yachts on these lakes, but have hitherto been deterred by the limited area of water open to them. The greatest area now open to row boats (not yachts) is that afforded by Lakes Osceola, Virginia and Mizell, about 500 acres. That which will be afforded to steam, sail and row boats by the proposed plan will be about 2,200 acres.

This line of lakes is undoubtedly the most charming of any in Florida. Every diversity of bank is found—now high, now low; now hammock, now pine; here rich in semi-tropical growth, and there fruitful in vegetable gardens and orange groves. No two of these lakes are alike; each has its own peculiar enchantment. The pleasures of one will in no degree lessen those of another. No one can drink to the full without boating along the waters of each and all of them. The proposed plan will afford the opportunity. Nor is there danger that familiarity will breed contempt. New and unexpected delights greet each visit. Ever changing, as what part of Florida is not, under the hand of improvement, something new surprises you at each return. Ever old—for the cypress thickets and glades, and grass ponds with their gay inhabitants of water lilies will always

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Mr. G. A. Rollins, a prominent builder of Boston, and brother of Mr. A. W. Rollins, of Rollins' College, is spending a few days here.

Prof. O. M. Crosby, general manager of the Florida Department of The South, was here Friday last. Mr. James, of the staff of The Dispatch, was here on the 12th.

Mr. McDonald, the well known builder, has not been very well for a few days.

Judge Mizell is to begin the erection of a pretty residence overlooking the lake that bears his name, in a few days.

Mr. Harrington arrived here direct from England on the 13th, with quite an English colony.

Judge Welborn is very busy at court now.

Mrs. L. W. Capen, and her son Henry, both of whom visited here this winter, have bought lots on Lake Osceola, and are figuring on cottages. They live in Bloomington, Ill.

Rumor says, that a first-class real estate agency will be opened here soon.

Mr. H. A. Smith has opened a meat market, and finds ready sale for large quantities of beef.

Messrs. Moyers & Wilson are busy putting in new machinery at their Killarney mill, and will soon have a lumber yard and planing mill started in Winter Park to connect with their mills by tramway.

Charlie Ambrose cut his foot very severely while working at the Rogers House.

Argus 5-21-85 NEPAC.

#### WINTER PARK.

The first brick was laid May 26th on the hotel.

Rev. Smith preached May 21st to a good congregation.

Our street R. R. track is over one half mile long and is complete.

We expect to complete the dining room part of the hotel next week.

Dr. Hooker reports favorable progress in college matters from Mass.

Mr. Frank Adams, the proprietor of large fertilizer works, was here several times last week.

With all the material, furniture, etc., coming in it keeps our station agent very busy.

Mr. Charles Nungesser, foreman of the carpenters and Mr. S. R. Smith, foreman of the masons, arrived Monday.

We have a good demand for houses to rent to mechanics and would like to see a lot of them built by somebody that wants to make a good investment.

Mr. and Mrs. Fell, arrived Thursday, 28th. Mrs. Fell, as Miss Palmer, was well and favorably known by a large circle of friends who wish her every happiness as Mrs. Fell.

The road commissioners of this district have gone to work with a will and we expect soon to see some good roads and bridges. The work is under the charge of H. S. Kedney who has appointed Mr. Huntington to see that it is done right, and it doubtless will be.

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Painters are busy at work making "Town Hall" and the postoffice look as good as new.

Tuesday the 19th saw the first building for the hotel completed. It is quite a large one, and will be used for tools, nails, etc.

Somebody is going to get hurt on the bridge over the canal, and Orange county will have a bill to settle. Where are our road commissioners?

We have been having heavy rains here lately, and they have done a world of good to growing vegetation, but have delayed building operations somewhat.

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Mr. Thayer is going to put up buildings for Mr. Fracker, Judge Mizell and Colonel Fairbanks right away, and is happy with the prospect of a busy summer before him.

Somebody is going to feel badly disappointed over not being a member of the "Orlando to Jacksonville by water" company. We hope it won't be any of our friends.

Mr. Helmer, of Chicago, has taken up his abode with Mr. Arthur Rogers preparatory to taking charge of Mr. Moyers' books. Mr. Moyers has gone to New Orleans to complete arrangements for his planing mill, tramway, etc., in Winter Park.

We have twenty-five carpenters busy getting out the framing for the hotel, and are daily increasing the number. We have about twenty-five men hard at work stacking lumber, finishing up street car track, working on streets, etc.

Little Carroll Phelps, the bright little son of Herman Phelps, fell off the porch last Thursday and broke his collar bone. He is a very patient little sufferer. The same day E. N. Cowen fell from a scaffold at Mr. John P. Morton's new house and broke three of his ribs. He is suffering intensely.

"By water from Orlando to Jacksonville," is being talked up pretty thoroughly, and we expect to see some definite steps taken soon to connect Lakes Concord, Ivanhoe, Farnosa, Rowena, Sue, Virginia, Osceola, Maitland, Howell and Jesup, so that a beautiful trip and fine fishing grounds can be opened to the public. I know of no prettier trip anywhere than that, and it can be made at a very small expense.

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## ACROSS THE FLORIDA PENINSULA.

Books and opinions to the contrary. It is hard for an old resident of the North to get rid of the idea that the further South he goes at this season the hotter it must grow. He listens to the learned explanations why it does not, from those interested, yet while he does not care to dispute the acknowledged fact that South Florida is an agreeable home in the winter time, "Deliver me," he exclaims, "from such a climate in June or July!" Your correspondent is one of the latest converts to the contrary opinion, and after a practical experiment he is prepared to declare that he found the trade winds stronger and more reliable and the nights cooler than was the case two hundred miles further north.

Leaving Sanford on one of the model, well-filled trains of the South Florida Railroad, we find ourselves gliding smoothly over the steel rails, passing the wonderful 150-acre Belair grove so fully described in these columns a few months ago; thence, passing Crystal Lake, Longwood, the proposed terminus of the new railroad to Tavares, comes next, and soon we are skirting the shores of the clear lakes adjoining Altamonte, the stately hotel, the winter home of so many wealthy Bostonians, showing up in the distance. Maitland seems a bower of orange groves on the shores of numerous sparkling lakes—a charming section. Two miles further, and we rumble alongside the depot at Winter Park, and alight—for what stranger can resist the desire to see a place so widely quoted and advertised? A glance at the map of the town shows winding drives about irregularly formed lakes, looking, all will say, exceedingly well on paper; but so often have we seen "paper towns," that we were not prepared to find the attractions so numerous. A broad boulevard extends from the depot to the bold shore of Lake Osceola, one mile long, a plank walk under newly-set shade trees extending the whole distance. On either side are thrifty young orange groves of great promise, or the elegant winter homes of well-known Northern capitalists, who here annually form a delightful, refined society, away from the harassing cares of business and the demands of fashionable life, enjoying to the full the balmy air of a tropical mid-winter, while the choice exotics they shelter under greenhouses at the North bloom here unchecked, without shelter, on the lawn.

Winter Park has lately been widely advertised as the location of the new Congregational College, through the liberality of some of the residents, together with the munificence of the Winter Park Company, providing the endowment. After a sharp contest from other enterprising towns, the attractions of Winter Park were acknowledged to be ahead; a beautiful site—seemingly Nature's own—on the high banks of Lake Virginia was chosen, and by early Fall there will be erected a stately building or buildings from whence many a student shall go forth to bless his fellow men.

An hour later we are spinning over the roads among beautiful orange groves across the lakes, behind a spirited pair of bays, with General Manager Chase as our guide; and we respectfully request any person who doubts the adaptability of pine land for raising orange groves to take the same ride, and his fears will be at rest. Such a succession of dark, rich-foliated trees, laden with young fruit, such a number of beautiful homes, we believe it will be hard to excel in Florida or elsewhere.

Again on the train, and we roll among the high, rolling pine lands, dotted with the omnipresent orange trees and tasteful cottages. Wilcox station, only two miles further, is almost surrounded by lakes with high banks, furnishing ideal building sites. The way from here is one succession of orange groves, houses and gardens, till we enter the metropolis of Orange county—the new city of

## ORLANDO.

Four years ago, Editor Gore, of the *Reporter*, tramped from Longwood, then the terminus of the railroad, and

nearly passed through the place without knowing he had reached it—scarce a baker's dozen of houses, and for the rest the pine forest. Each new comer in turn smiles with ill-concealed incredulity as this story is told him, as he looks up and down the busy streets, with handsome stores in solid blocks that fill both sides for many squares, the sidewalks crowded with eager buyers of goods or real estate, among whom the uniformed policemen move with all the dignity of "the finest" in New York.

On the most prominent corner in the very heart of the business center is the business office of the Sinclair Real Estate Agency, so frequently mentioned in these columns, while the visitor will recognize either the office building or the tasteful home of N. L. Mills, of the firm, from the illustrations already published in *THE SOUTH*. Some idea of the vast amount of business done at the office may be obtained by quoting the sum total, \$400,000, of last year's business; but the *why* of this is better understood after an acquaintance with the sterling members of the firm, and hearing the stories of those for whom they have made fortunes. A reliable resident told the writer he could have bought the forty acres now

the center of the town for \$3,500 five years ago; now land has been sold at the rate of \$50,000 per acre, and none in this tract could be purchased for less than \$1,500 per acre.

A gentleman who arrived here from Jacksonville only two years ago purchased 160 acres for \$5,000 on the outskirts of the town. He has since sold fifty-seven acres for \$8,090, and has a property easily worth \$25,000 left, still going up. Fortunes have been made and are being made, and the end is not yet.

Orlando is fortunate in having adjoining it eight pure, clear, fresh-water lakes. Those nearest the center, Eola and Lucerne, are already nearly surrounded by tasteful houses and palatial hotels. The former lake has a delightful hard sandy beach, the latter a drive or boulevard around its shore and a plank walk at the water's edge—the lovers' retreat at twilight and the promenade of the town. Everywhere are groves or orange trees and rare blooming flowers. O. M. C.

For The South.

## WINTER PARK.

Dr. Hyer of Orlando, made us a call Saturday.

Mr. Isaac Ellingwood and family went north on the 3rd.

Miss Jessie Capen, who has been quite sick, is well again.

Mr. McKinlay brought in some fine peen-to peaches Saturday.

Mr. Chamberlain's house was rented to Mr. McLaulin last week.

Everybody is ordered out for road duty beginning on the 11th.

The Seminole is the name fixed on by the directors for our hotel.

Carroll Phelps has nearly recovered from the injury to his collar bone.

Several business enterprises will be started here in the next few days.

You would hardly know the post office building in its new suit of paint.

Vegetation is coming forward wonderfully since the rains commenced.

L. A. Chase went to Jacksonville on important business on the 3rd; was gone two days.

The fizz of the soda fount will soon be heard here; there won't be any "sticks" in the soda.

Mr. Charles, the station agent, has moved into New Hampshire block which is now full of occupants.

Mr. Richmond has rented the grain warehouse for a boarding house and billiard parlor to Sanford parties.

Major Abercrombie is hard at work on the Osage orange business. Why won't that make a success in Florida?

June 1st was our first pay day, and the men were all made happy by a supply of Uncle Sam's certificates of indebtedness. June 15th is the next pay day.

The Messrs. Barkelow, father and son, provincialist farmers from Illinois were here last week; hope they will conclude to settle with us.

The furniture for the hotel has commenced to arrive. Messrs. Stafford Bros., of Sanford, have the contract for putting on the tin roofing.

The Rogers House is closed, and so Messrs. Chase, Rollins and McDonald are sleeping at the Rollins cottage and taking their meals at Messrs. Capens and Arthur Rogers.

Mr. C. J. Ladd arrived on the 2nd, and was followed on the 3rd by a good stock of drugs and hardware, so that with liberal doses of squills and pep-sine we can now keep level and plumb.

The kitchen part of the hotel will be completed this week and will be opened next week as a boarding place for the men. Mr. Forbes will be here this week with a cook, caterer, waiters, etc., and open "Hotel Seminole" at once.

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Winter Park. Fla. May 11<sup>th</sup> 1885

This certifies that Loring A. Chase and  
Oliver E. Chapman have settled in full  
all their claims with each other relating  
to the business of Chapman & Chase

Oliver E. Chapman  
Loring A. Chase

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crest of the "divide" or water shed  
the State; 40 miles from the Atlantic  
and 80 miles from the Gulf. Nine beau-  
tiful lakes with high banks within 1 1/2  
miles of Railroad depot with over ten  
miles of lake frontage, no malaria, the  
purest of water, six daily trains; no sa-  
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Of 300 rooms, superbly located on high  
ground, between two lovely lakes, will  
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first-class in every respect; equal if not  
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Winter Park, Orange Co., Fla., June 21 1885

First Dinner in  
Hotel Seminole

Loring A. Chase Winter Park  
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S. R. Smith Oaxaca Fla  
Chas. Nungesser Sanford Fla  
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## WINTER PARK.

The fizz of the soda fountain is heard in the land.

The large cistern for the hotel is now in process of construction.

Judge Lewis Lawrence, of Utica, New York, left for his home on the 10th.

Had a very pleasant call from Mr. Chaires, of Chaires & VanDeman, on the 11th.

Mr. Jerome Capen was the recipient of several pleasant souvenirs on his tenth birthday.

Mr. Bromley of the firm of Londerback, Gilbert & Co., of New York, was here the 10th.

We had a very pleasant call from Mrs. Hoyt and Miss Dart on the 8th. They occupy the Beall place for the summer.

Mr. Needham the genial, proficient civil engineer, of Orlando, spent Sunday 14th, with his particular friend Mr. Chase.

Our work has dragged a little the past week on account of lack of brick, but we now have a plenty and will keep things rushing.

Mr. D. A. Beckwith representing the extensive lithographing house of Geo. D. Barnard & Co., St. Louis, Mo. was here on the 11th.

The 15th was pay day and the men all managed to get around in time to receive their "ration money"; there were 110 men on the rolls.

Messrs. Loyd, Donkel and Edward Klemmer, of Maitland, have opened a billiard parlor and barber shop in Mr. Richmond's large store house.

Loads of watermelons are coming into market and they certainly do taste good with a little sugar on them; if you never tried it, do so and see for yourself.

We are hoping to have a celebration of the "Fourth" here, but don't know where we can borrow a copy of the Declaration of Independence, and it will fall through.

We have now here 3 general stores, 2 meat markets, 1 fish market, 1 bakery, 1 billiard parlor, 1 drug store, 1 hardware store, 1 barber shop, and several more projects are talked of.

The instruments for our band arrived Friday and the boys have thoroughly organized, secured a teacher, and we will soon have "Evenings with the Old Masters" in good shape.

The death of Mr. A. L. Bushnell of Enterprise, takes one more energetic member of the Illinois colony in this section away. The writer has always known him and knows that in his death Florida has lost an energetic, honest friend.

Mr. Clarence Alcott, after a long illness, died on Thursday June 11th. During his long illness he made a great many friends here and he will be much missed. He was buried on Friday, Rev. Barbour of Orlando reading the beautiful and impressive service of the Episcopal church. The singing by Mrs. Stovin, Mrs. Switzer, Miss Jessie Capen and Mr. Potter, was very good. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Rose, Rogers, Coen, White, Davies & Henkle. Mrs. Alcott and baby will return to the north and Mr. Alcott's father and mother will remain here.

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## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Bassinger of the firm of Steele & Bassinger was in town on the 24th. Some of the boys are very musical and can sing nicely; it is a treat to hear them.

A harness and repair shop is needed here,—a good chance for some live harness-maker.

Mr. Chase, of the popular firm of Chase & Co. registered at the Sunnyside the past week.

Mr. Ben Rackliff left for his home in Maine on the 23d. We shall miss Ben's pleasant face.

The 29th was "pay day" and everybody happy and saving up for the glorious Fourth of July.

Mr. S. R. Smith, foreman of the masons, has gone to Green Cove Springs to close up some business there.

We expect 100,000 brick over the T. O. A. & R. R. from Georgia by July 1st. This will save two handlings and give the brick in much better shape.

Mr. S. S. Capen has a very prosper-

ous field of peanuts; they are coming along nicely, and we hope in a few days to be prepared for the circus or gallery boy in the theater.

Mrs. L. W. Capen's beautiful lot on Lake Osceola is cleared and material for her cottage partly on the ground. Mr. Thayer has the contract and will have it ready for occupancy by September 15th.

Letters received by every mail from the North tell of disgust with the cold climate there, and, in almost every case, a determination to move to Florida. Guess there won't much of anything go to waste next winter.

Mr. G. A. Rollins left us for the Northern part of Iowa on the 22d. He made a good many friends while here. He was succeeded in the inspection of lumber by Mr. Shepherd, who is, evidently, perfectly at home in that line.

Can you tell us where we can get another brass band? Twelve men practicing at all points of the compass on horns that they don't know anything about, seems like hardly enough, and now if we could get another band or a steam calliope started all would be well.

On the 26th Mr. and Mrs. Switzer and Mrs. Clarence Alcott and baby left for their homes in Illinois. We wish them a pleasant journey, a delightful summer and hope to see them back in the fall. Mrs. Alcott, although one of the newest comers here, made a host of friends and will be greatly missed.

Owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Robt. White's father in New Jersey, Mr. and Mrs. White and baby will start for there Wednesday to be gone two months and perhaps longer. Mr. Fred White has come in off his homestead and with Mr. Cody will manage

## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Fracker is progressing nicely with his new block.

The Orlando band made a fine appearance at Sanford on the Fourth.

We have quite a force of men at work cutting cord wood for hotel use.

The Seminole is now boarding sixty of the men and will soon have rooms ready for them.

Mr. Allen, of P. A. Demens & Co., Longwood, made us a short business call on the 30th.

The gas fitter arrived on the 29th, and goes to work at once to put in gas and water pipes.

We have preaching on Sunday at 4 o'clock p. m. by the Congregational pastor in charge.

We are now fertilizing our groves with cotton seed meal under the able direction of Chas. Williams.

Mr. Cradell has returned from a large contract he has had with the Enterprise and Titusville railroad.

Mr. Stovin is going to add the dairy business to his already extensive farm and will supply the hotel with pure milk.

Judge Welborne and L. A. Chase attended the fair at Orlando to celebrate the completion of the T., O. & A. R. R.

Judge Lawrence before leaving us, left instructions for a nice fence around the church; it is now being put up and will look fine.

I think we will try and have a celebration here next season, as we will have almost every facility then to entertain a large crowd of people.

Mr. Ergood, our efficient postmaster, is entitled to a long credit mark for making quite a passable sidewalk from the postoffice to the depot.

Mr. Smith returned from Green Cove Spring on the 3rd, accompanied by his wife and child. They are temporarily located in our new market

## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Hugin was here on the 13th. General French has gone to Georgia on a visit. It seems very nice to have a good bakery to go to these hot days, and Mr. Goodman has been doing a good business in that line since the 13th. Mr. F. R. made us a call on the 15th. Mr. McDonald went to St. Augustine on the 18th to look after some of his money interests there. Rev. Stoney, Presiding Elder of the M. E. Church for this district, preached here on the 19th. It begins to look as though we will have a new Methodist Church here soon. Rev. Walker, who has preached here once or twice in the same denomination, was also here. Rev. Smith supplied the Congregational pulpit at 4 o'clock p. m., but, owing to a very heavy storm at that time, the attendance was not large. Two large pines were struck by lightning right close to the writer on the 19th, and he thought for a few minutes that he was sent for. It was the sharpest lightning and the heaviest thunder I ever witnessed. The outline of the hotel building is now complete, and it is a mammoth concern and no mistake. Everybody who sees it is surprised at its size and imposing appearance. It is four stories high, and the north and south ends and middle of the main building are furnished with a mansard that adds one more story. The main building is 300 feet long and faces west, then from the south end of that, the dining room, the ceiling of which will be almost twenty feet high, runs east 100 feet and from the east end of that the kitchen wing, two stories in height, extends north 150 feet. It is progressing very rapidly under the superintendence of Mr. McDonald, aided by Messrs. Nongesser, J. J. McDonald and Smith, and will be ready to open promptly. Mr. McGuire is now in New York buying two steam yachts, street cars, billiard tables, gas machine, electric apparatus and all the most approved modern appliances, and with Mr. Forbes to look after the complete furnishing of it, and Mr. Chase working night and day to keep along the hotel and also the town schemes, we fully expect to surprise our Northern visitor this winter. The patient mule doth yank the lumber, brick, etc., to the fourth floor, yea, even unto the mansard, and complaineth not. Verily, what is more useful than a mule in a new country? Answer—more mules. To see Redmond get on our new dump-cart with a miscellaneous supply of coffee, codfish, and siah, and start out with it, you would think that there must be a large grocery store out towards Osceola. Not so; he only has the supplies to feed the sixty hungry men who board at the Seminole and work on the building. Our pay roll numbers over 150 men all told. The wheel

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## Block.

Mr. Abbott has laid out West Winter Park very tastily, and a person could do far worse than to locate on one of their sightly lots on Lake Killarney.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, of the Rogers house go to their old home in Northern New York soon, for needed rest and recreation. We wish them a pleasant trip.

W. O. Cady is looking for his wife about September 1st. She is a very

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## Winter Park—A Pleasant Day.

Accepting the polite invitation of Judge J. F. Welborne, to join a small party of gentlemen on a visit to Winter Park, we were promptly on hand at the depot Friday morning, for departure at 9 o'clock, as were Mr. Fay S. Phelps, the popular Cashier of the Lyman Bank of this city, and Mr. J. E. Ludden, an able lawyer and genial gentleman of New York City. It was understood either that Judge Welborne would come in from Winter Park on the early morning train and return with us at 9 o'clock; or else, that he would await our arrival at Winter Park. As to either, however, we were all disappointed, for, on Judge Welborne's arrival here, he found that inexorable business demands would detain him all day. With the two gentlemen above named, we boarded the train at 10:30 o'clock, its departure having been delayed until that hour by the detention of the morning boat, and in less than an hour we were at Winter Park,

### WINTER PARK.

Mr. Way, of LeMoyné & Co., called on the 6th. Mr. Livermore, an energetic gentleman who has lately returned from an extended stay in Italy, has taken charge of the Rouly place one half mile west of Winter Park and will conduct a first-class dairy, poultry farm, etc. Mr. Adams, who owns a beautiful place on the south shore of Lake Virginia was here on the 7th. Harry Davies smiles a three foot seven and one eighth inch smile and says it is a boy. Mr. Shepard, our lumber inspector, with 3 men, took 22 cars from the depot at the hotel grounds, unloaded them and returned them to the depot all in working hours on the 9th. Mr. Chase has made several flying trips to Sanford and Orlando the past week. Fay S. Phelps, of the Lyman Bank and J. E. Ludden, a prominent lawyer of New York city, called on the 10th. Mr. Ludden was pleased with Winter Park and to see him again. Robt. with his wife and baby arrived safely in New York and the "Dr." writes back that it is hotter there than it is here. The "paper" railroads are getting thick all around us and if they are all built the South Florida will have a competitor at every station along the route. Pine apples are very plentiful and of excellent quality. Mr. Perkins of South Apopka had one here on Friday the 10th, that it would be useless to tell how large it was; it was a Trinidad. Our bakery commenced operations on the 13th. It was pay day on the 13th again and as a great many of the men are putting in 12 hours time each day they got pretty good sized amounts. Florida weeds are fearful growers and a person has to be lively to keep ahead of them. John R. Ergood and wife will soon leave for a visit North to be gone until about October 1st. Mr. Spring has built a breakwater and boat house at his place on Lake Virginia that is just perfect and if everybody would fix their lake fronts as nicely it would be a great improvement. We need more carpenters. Messrs. Alcott & Cohen will, probably put up a nice shop and open a carpenter and building business in the near future. The fixtures for the large oven are on the ground and will be put in place soon. Mr. Ergood's store was burglarized the other night, but thieves got nothing but experience, as far as can be told. Our market, kept by Tom Mathews, is supplied with very nice meats and ice. Mrs. Stovin started for Boston on the 7th for a long visit. Mr. T. B. Diek and Mr. Arnold of the S. F. R. R., spent Sunday with Mr. Chase at the Seminole.

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## WINTER PARK.

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On the 27th; 176 men on pay roll. The Winter Park Company's offices in New Hampshire Block have been improved and fixed up until a person wouldn't imagine it was the same place. A subscription has been raised and parties are now at work laying a walk from the railroad track west on the Boulevard to Pennsylvania avenue, a distance of 1500 feet, and we understand that a solemn conclave of parties interested agreed to call it Flirtation Promenade. Mr. Abbott is very busy re-surveying and re-platting the whole town, putting in new streets, etc. If you will make some slight changes in my letter for last week it will read better, for instance, it don't seem as though there was much danger in dry wells, while there might be in dug ones, and while Mr. McKindlay is a very generous man and we honor him for it, he brought us bunches instead of bushels of grapes. Mr. Sherman Adams honored our little place with his presence on the 25th. A letter from little Allie Chapman announces "me got a sister, we call her

D. W. Tillman, one of the best men we had, got his foot badly hurt under a car of brick on July 1st. Fortunately no bones were broken, and under the skillful treatment of Dr. Hinkle he is getting along nicely.

Mr. Maguire left on the 5th for New York, where he goes to buy the finishing hardware, etc. for the hotel and two steam yachts and street car. Messrs. Maguire & McDonald expect to have the main building roofed in three weeks.

Mr. Lyman, president of Rollin College, writes to have everything ready to go ahead with it soon, on short notice, and we can assure everybody interested that we will have a good school opened here in good time for a full fall's work.

The first invoice of brick from Georgia, over the T. O. & A. railroad arrived here on the 30th; they are the finest bricks I have seen in the South, and came through with almost no breakage, so that they are very satisfactory to the Company.

With attending to the many, many things that come up every day in connection with the hotel, church, parsonage, college, etc., Mr. Chase is about the busiest man of my acquaintance, and would try to do more if he could only get the days and nights lengthened out.

The Fourth was spent away somewhere by almost all of Winter Park; nearly all went to Sanford. The writer, with a pleasant party went to Enterprise and was nicely entertained by Mr. Carlisle and Mrs. Bushnell in looking over the place and visiting a few of the many fine groves in the neighborhood.

The parsonage is to be finished up in fine shape before Dr. Hooker's return. Dr. Hooker writes that Mr. Knowles, of Worcester, Mass., has determined to help the college enterprise, and will erect the chapel and recitation room; as these will cost \$10,000 the aid offered will be quite extensive. In addition to this, two large cottages at a cost of about seven thousand five hundred dollars each, will be put up this summer to be occupied by students, one for each of the sexes. The buildings will be commenced at once.

## WHAT THE ARGUS SCRIBES HAVE TO REPORT.

### WINTER PARK.

The painters have begun work on the hotel. 8-6-85

Mr. R. R. Thayer is father to a bouncing boy.

Dr. Haskill spent Sunday, Aug. 2d, with Mr. Chase.

Mr. Livermore is progressing finely with his new dairy.

Mr. John R. Ergood and wife left for Boston on the 28th.

Mrs. S. R. Smith and her children have gone to Jacksonville for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, of the Rogers House, left for Northern New York on the 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers took dinner at the Seminole just before their departure on the 29th.

Mr. Demans, of Longwood, came down on the 31st and spent the night at the Seminole.

Mr. Miller has drawn an elegant prospective of Winter Park, which is richly worth seeing.

Isaac Ellingwood returned on the first looking first-rate. Northern air seems to agree with him.

Mr. Mariner went to work as watchman on the 1st, and from long experience in a large factory in New England, he is, doubtless, well qualified for the job.

Two services at the churches Sunday; Methodist in the morning and Congregational in the afternoon, and a service held by Mr. Hanning in Hannibal Square in the afternoon.

Mr. Daniel Cosgrove is at work putting in the gas and water pipes all over the hotel. The main roof is being tinned. The mansard roof is done, and the tall chimneys in the main house are complete.

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#### THE COLLEGE.

The first college year will commence November, 1885. The Collegiate Department will receive only candidates for the Freshman Class.

In Rollins College an earnest effort is made to meet the great and diversified educational needs of Florida. It is an institution for co-education. The charter provides for four Departments: 8-13-85

1. The Collegiate, with its course of highest standard in the ancient classics, in modern languages, in mathematics and physics, and in English literature and elective studies.

2. The Preparatory Department, which must do an important work for the present, at least, in fitting students for the college.

3. The Training Department for teachers, which will instruct those who would teach in the public schools and elsewhere, in the studies bearing upon their work and in the theory and practice of their calling. To this end, and to afford the best facilities for the vicinity for primary education, children will be received into this Department and placed under the instruction of the Normal students. This work will be under the guidance of a trained and experienced principal and assistant.

4. An Industrial Training Department, in which the young ladies and gentlemen of the other Departments can choose some useful line of practical industry, and while the mind is cultivated can obtain exercise and can acquire knowledge and skill in the industrial arts.

The school year will usually begin the middle of October and close the

first of June, and consist of two terms of equal length, with a vacation of two weeks between them. The long vacation will be from the first of June until the middle of October. The home life of the college will be after what is known as the "cottage plan." Separate cottages will be

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ereected for the young ladies and the young gentlemen, each accommodat- ing about thirty students. The rooms will be arranged in suits of two, so that two students can occupy one as a study and the other as a sleeping room with two single beds, or each student can have entire privacy. The rooms will be furnished, except that the students will provide their own linen. Each cottage will be under the care of a matron, who will be watchful of the health, happiness and general welfare of the students, and throw about them the atmosphere of a cultivated, cheerful Christian home.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

Each candidate for admission to the Collegiate and Preparatory Depart- ments must furnish a certificate of a

ing portions of the State. Broad stretches of orange plantations, with their rural cottages, follow the lead of the railways that are rapidly opening into every desirable section. All this is aside from the ever-increasing multitude who throng thither temporarily for health, or as fugitives from the rigors of our Northern

winters. And this has gone so far that a new population is rapidly possessing and charac- terizing Florida. It promises to make it yet something far more and better than a land of warmth and luscious fruits. It is in prepara- tion as the theater and agency of Divine uses.

Communities drifted together in this way on a distant frontier come slowly to feel their want of Christian institutions, and for a long time pass easily unrecognized as any part of our already vast field claiming missionary care. Long since, when Jacksonville stood for the beginning and almost the end of Florida, we planted a church there after the New England way; and through varying fortunes it still holds that gateway in promising strength. But it is only quite recently that any attempt has been made to follow up the rapidly growing communities of interior Florida with an effective evangelism. And so far as this fell fitly to us as a Congregational concernment, when the time came, the A. H. M. Society per- ceived and met the need with an active agency. And the time very signally came within the past few years. In many of these riper settle- ments the Christian element seemed suddenly to recollect itself. It was a remarkable revival of Christian consciousness kindled widely in quite separate parts of the field. Old expe- riences stirred with new life. Old church-let- ters burned in the pockets of many. Old half- forgotten memberships came to remembrance, and old fellowships and sweet communions of faith and worship cried for renewal. A few faithful missionaries at ripe points met this crisis, each reaching several adjacent points and holding them by real occupancy and pas- toral ministrations.

The harvest soon crowned this culture. As if moved by a common impulse, the Christian elements crystallized into churches. Many tokens attended the movement proving it none other than the work of God's Spirit; for not only were believers drawn together with one accord into loving recognition and union in faith and labor, making little account of names and forms, but a precious many, seeing this, believed also and were joined to the Lord and his people; and signs and wonders appeared, specially in gifts of gracious activity and free giving; for these little bands came at once into a sense of new and great needs, and to their power, and beyond, they must seek ministers and houses of worship.

Already, as early as in 1883, this work had gone so far that a dozen churches or more about the State, mainly in Central and Eastern Florida, had organized themselves into a Gen- eral Association of Congregational Churches. But the work was still in progress, and much of it I witnessed in these last winters of '84 and '85. The force of ministers was now much increased, largely of New England culture and experience; the number of churches had more than doubled; a wider evangelism was in vigorous operation; a Florida Home Mis- sionary Society was organized and acting; and altogether a new regenerating force was in fair equipment on the field—not for Florida alone, but for the South; for this strategically is a flank movement on that and all we imply in that. The work of Christian reconstruction in that broad field which is the burden of responsibility on this and the coming generation, finds no point of more vital approach, none more inviting and clear of sore complications, than is now opening through Florida.

By the manner of it one would say this was just a piece of Puritanism over again. At every

turn it betrays itself such. But it leaves no room for doubt when we see it concerned to meddle with all the moralities and proprieties, with schools and higher education, and all that makes for sweetness and light and human up- lifting—for this is what it does and seems in- tent on doing to the end. Witness this Rollins College, which up to date is its latest Puritan development. Such an institute for liberal study under Christian influences was felt to be essential to the real success of their best pur- poses. At the annual meeting of their General Association in February last the unanimous conviction was reached that the time was fully come for the founding of a Christian college in Florida. A spirited competition issued in the choice of Winter Park as the place for the institution, and at a special meeting of the Gen- eral Association it was founded there on the provided fund of \$114,000. This sum, includ- ing a beautiful site, was raised there, and the

more needful buildings are in process of erec- tion. The generous aid and interest of a Chris- tian friend, A. W. Rollins, of Chicago, fitly fasten his name to the institution as he gives himself with his gift. First and throughout, the college is to be Christian and unsectarian; it will give earnest care to the training of teachers; it will aim at the highest in the lib- eral studies; and it will seek to make Agricul- tural Science serviceable in its relation to the special soils and growths and possible more varied productions of Florida.

Orange county lies nearly central in the State, and Winter Park is not far from its sum- mit, seventeen miles from Sanford down the railway to Tampa. The place is one of the select resorts of Florida. Its church, not yet three years old, has assumed the privilege of self-support; and its pastor, Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., has accepted the Presidency of the Col- lege.

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FLORIDA DEVELOPING.

BY REV. H. D. KECHEL, D. D.

Florida, geologically considered as that pen- insular spur appended to our continent, is it- self a curious instance of development. Long ago the bones of it were laid down and knit to- gether in coral reefs in the depths of the warm sea beneath; slowly uplifted since, and crop- ping out now in the highlands here and there far above the ocean level. Along the flanks of this old fundamental reef, as it rose above the waters, the Atlantic on this side and the Gulf on that, threw up abundant drift of sand and shell—and the result at length is the Florida of to-day, much of it well-dried and ripened, and ripening more and more into this summer- land of bloom and fruit, a land of golden orchards and silvery lakes smiling on you everywhere through the pines. And so, hav- ing come by that way of development so far, it seems to hold to the law that has done so well by it and properly goes on to develop in new and higher directions.

One of these great progressive movements in the line of social and Christian advance- ment has been maturing for some twenty years or more, but has only now come to maturity and fully declared itself. While spending the last two winters in Central Florida I witnessed much of this development, and feel that it de- serves to be more widely known and consid- ered. It has a vital significance in its relation to the great question of our time, the elevation and evangelization of the South.

Ever since the close of our late War a cur- rent of migration has been setting toward Florida, increasing from year to year, and especially increasing in the number who have gone thither from the North as permanent res- idents. The genial and sanitary climate and the charm and promise of orange culture have attracted many and fastened them in new homes. And so there has gathered a popula- tion occupying the most accessible and invit-

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Plastering the main part of the Seminole began on the 12th. Geo. Fernald, of Tuxbury & Fernald, was here and stopped at the Seminole on the night of the 12th and all day of the 13th, and secured the contract for the windows and blinds for the hotel. The Southern Express Compa- ny established an office here on the 12th. Mr. C. J. Ladd, agent. It is a long needed addition, and under the gentlemanly management of Mr. Ladd will prove a benefit to Winter Park and the Express Company. Mr. Russell, the Superintendent for this division evidently understands his business thoroughly. Mr. P. Wes- cott, President of the T. O. & A. R. R. called on the 16th, looked the Seminole all over and expressed a great deal of surprise and pleasure at its size and appearance. The many friends of Mrs. F. W. Lyman will be glad to know that under Dr. Foster's skillful treatment at Clifton Springs, New York, she is improving nicely. The gentleman who has charge of this district for the M. E. church, preached here the morning of the 16th, and Rev. Smith, of Orlan- do, in the afternoon. The lumber and brick for Knowles Hall is arriv- ing, and the work will be pushed to the utmost. Should the building not be complete in time, arrangements have been made for opening the College on November 4th, and it will



Robt. White, Jr. writes that we may expect him about Sept. 1st, with an elegant stock of fall goods.

Our band is making good progress, can play several pieces, and talk of building themselves a hall.

The parks each side of the South Florida R. R. track are all plowed and will be set to Bermuda and St. Augustine grasses soon, making a fine improvement.

Isaac Ellingwood, went to work at once on his return and is doing some of the best work on the hotel.

The iron shingles on the Mansards look fine.

We are under obligations to Mr. Stovin for some elegant scuppernong grapes on the 16th. Call again Mr. Stovin, we have two baskets.

Mr. Abbott has the new map of Winter Park nearly done. He has added several new streets and has the stakes for corners of blocks all set; will be set soon.

R. R. Thayer will begin the erection of a business block soon.

The parsonage, under the skillful hands of Deacon Larrabee, is fast getting into shape for the coming of Dr. Booker about October 1st.

There are 527 feet of promenade on the veranda of the Seminole from sixteen to twenty-four feet wide.

Our express office is a great convenience.

Rev. A. D. Smith, of Orlando, dined at the Seminole on the 19th, and preached on the 23rd.

Pay-day on the 24th.

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## ROLLINS COLLEGE,

WINTER PARK, FLORIDA.

We have received a very neat pamphlet, and prospectus setting forth the objects, and desires of the above named institution, to be opened on Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1885.

It will be divided into:

- 1st- The Collegiate;
- 2nd- The Preparatory;
- and, 3rd The Training Department.

The whole will be in charge of some of the most thorough instructors in the country, having as President the well known, Rev. E. P. Hooker, D.

The training Department will be ably presided over by one of our towns-woman, Miss Annie W. Morton, formerly at the U. S. school for the instruction of Indians, at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

On account of change in paper, and lack of space, we are unable to comment further this week, but can only say in addition, that we welcome such an important addition to the educational advantages of Orange Co., as Rollins College.

Winter Park, almost within sight of Maitland, beautiful for situation, is bound to be enlivened by its splendid private residences, its large and elegant hotel, its munificently endowed and thoroughly equipped college, to the

designatum, "The Superb." A church in keeping with the prevalent magnificence will be erected the ensuing year. The site has been given, and five acres of land will be donated or a glebe.

It will not be long before two clergymen will be indispensable to the proper care of the places above named.

C. S. WILLIAMS.

## WINTER PARK.

There was a very pleasant *Soiree Musicale*, at Mrs. Guild's, on the 24th at which Mr. and Mrs. Fracker, Mr. Russell and some more of the guests furnished some very nice music.

Mr. and Mrs. Fracker left on the 25th, to go to Iowa City and close up their affairs there, previous to making this their permanent home. We shall be very glad to see them back as they are a great addition to our musical talent.

We had a little bit of a strike on the Hotel mason-work on Tuesday, but it all blew over and everything is serene again.

Miss H. H. Clough, daughter of the well known Baxter Clough, owner of extensive stone quarries in Amherst, Ohio, together with her little nephew and Dr. Barrows, the Professor of Mathematics in Rollins College, spent several days looking around Winter Park last week. Miss Clough was so delighted that she expects to return from DeLand, her present Florida home, in two weeks and buy and build here.

Mr. Nicolls, of Orlando, has the contract to plaster the Hotel. It is a big one but Mr. N. seems to know just how to go at it.

Tom Mathers has rented the room in Quincy Market, recently occupied by Mr. Williams as a fish market, and will keep fish and oysters in addition to meat and vegetables.

We had very hard rains on the 28th, all the afternoon and evening.

Mr. Stovin reports a Street Railroad from Orlando to the College almost a certainty. We hope it is and think it will pay from the start as a great many people would send their children here to school with as handy communication as that would make.

Mr. and Mrs. Fell are again at the Anchorage.

Mrs. Stovin is still at the North and reports a very good prospect for a fine Episcopal Church here this winter.

Mr. Clark, of Chicago, a friend of Mr. Rollins and a fine wood-worker, arrived on the 29th and will work on the Seminole.

Mr. Stovin's crop of oranges this year will be from 1,500 to 2,000 boxes from 800 trees; he has 4,500 in all.

Knowle's addition to Winter Park of ten acres is being nicely cleared and improved under the superintendence of Mr. H. S. Chubb—it will be done right.

We learn that Mrs. Fell has left for a short visit in New York.

The whereabouts of some of Winter Park's citizens are as follows:

Judge Wellborne was in Canton, Mass., visiting with Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Chapman, on the 23d and was going from there to Newport; Messrs. P. Peekham and J. P. Morton and families were at Newport; Dr. Tantom and family at Ocean Grove; Mrs. F. W. Lyman, at Clifton Springs, N.

## Winter Park.

Is growing and promises to be one of the nicest places on the line of the S. F. R. R. It now has a good hotel, three stores and a number of handsome dwellings. Messrs. Chapman & Chase, owners and agents of the Winter Park lands, have a handsome real estate office just east of the depot. Mr. H. A. Smith has recently opened out a general merchandise store, and promises, and doubtless will do, a fine business, as he keeps a good stock.

## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Lovell and Miss Annie Maxwell were married on the evening of the 6th. They go to housekeeping at once.

Property has been moving quite rapidly here during the past week and at good prices. Mr. Argyle sold his place on Lake Berry. Mr. Burt Clark sold his home place and 20 acres of his homestead. Mr. Pierce sold his home place and the Winter Park Company sold three of their best lots. Everything indicates a substantial boom and a rapid growth for Winter Park.

Mr. Lemay from Mass., has recently settled in our midst and has already taken several contracts for painting. He is evidently a skilful, tasty decorator and we think that everybody will do well to figure with him.

Cupid has been among us and his silent visits has resulted as usual in such cases, and two of our young men at the Seminole will bring two brides into our midst. "Here's to you boys," may you live long and prosper.

The S. F. R. R. have printed "School Tickets" which will be sold only at the general offices in Sanford, by which children under 12 can ride for one half a cent per mile, and over 12 for one cent. This is a low rate and will insure the attendance at Rollins College of a large number of pupils from Orlando, Sanford and other points along the line. The college term will open without fail Nov. 4th. Pamphlets can be had of L. A. Chase at office of Winter Park Company.

The Seminole has received its first coat of paint upon the outside and the second coat will go on at once.

Mr. Peekham's front fence has been moved back to correspond with the new fence.

Prof. Ford's new house on College Hill shows up finely from the depot and all the surrounding country.

John A. Prentiss, President of the Apopka and Atlantic R. R., made us a pleasant call on the 3d. He reports good progress with his R. R. and states that a Telegraph Company has been organized to run in connection with his road.

J. C. Chase was here on the 1st.

Mr. James Clark after a short visit, left on the 2d. for Atlanta, Ga.

Why would'nt it be a good scheme for the S. F. R. R. to run a line of dummies and open cars from Sanford to Orlando this winter and make frequent trips!

Mr. Holmes left for his home in Chicago on the 2d. During his stay here he made lots of warm friends who will be glad to see him back some time.

Laborers have been getting the landing at the Seminole in shape, and it is now perfect, and a large boat house will soon be started.

Mr. Abbott has completed the map of Winter Park. It is a handsome piece of work.

The mammoth smoke stack is rap-



## Winter Park.

Manager Chase is pushing the mammoth hotel near completion. He deserves the thanks of all the property owners in this section and his company ought to vote him a gold medal for the activity and alertness displayed in erecting a building of such large proportions so quickly.

Nine beautiful lakes can be counted from the roof of our new hotel.

Mr. Robbins arrived Friday to build Knowles Hall the first of the college buildings. We would suggest opinion that the persons who built the hotel in three months ought to be the proper parties to build Knowles Hall.

Our good Dr. Gear, is building a new fence in front of his lot which improves it greatly. Doctor has one of the finest places in Winter Park.

Our handsome friend, J. S. Capen, will soon move into his new house on the banks of beautiful Lake Osceola. It is an elegant house but none too good for Seymour, who is the very best of men.

Our merchants have all returned from the North where they have been combining business with pleasure to wit: Having a good time visiting friends, enjoying a rest and buying goods for the winter trade. One thing though they lackest, advertising in the DAILY NEWS.

SWIFTWOOD.

## New Hotel at Winter Park.

Yesterday we paid a visit to the new hotel at Winter Park, which will be as fine a hotel when finished as any in the State, except it is made of wood instead of brick. In company with quite a number of Orlando citizens we were shown over the entire building by Mr. McDonald of McGyre & McDonald who are the contractors who are putting up the building. These gentlemen put up the Magnolia Hotel at Magnolia, and San Marco, at St. Augustine, and say with the exception of towers and some other little extras, the Winter Park Hotel will equal either of them. Next summer the people of Orlando will be roused to the necessity of putting up just such a hotel as the "Winter Park" and for that little failure Orlando will loose many a dollar this season as our hotels will be so full that they cannot take any more, and that will be the case by the time the Winter Park Hotel opens in December, and it will be filled up with people that we could have stopped in Orlando, if we had the accommodation.

The main building is 293 feet long by from 40x66 feet wide, and from 5 to 6 stories high. One wing 100x49 feet, and this, in turn, is joined by another wing 190x42 feet. The dining room, 100x49 feet, and in a sort of balcony over head you can see the many guests below at the arduous task of supplying the inner man with the delightful virandas to be set before them. On one side of the main building a ladies' parlor of 36x48 feet, opens a beautiful covered piazza 24x48 feet, right on the shore of lake Osceola and giving as beautiful a view as can be found in Florida. There are over two hundred large rooms in the house, 172 being sleeping apartments. The main parlor for gentlemen is the same size as that of the ladies while all over the building are scattered small parlors smoking and reading rooms. Every room in the house will be in magnificent style and the market will be scoured to procure every delicacy that can be procured to entice the palate of the invalid and epicure.

The management will be the best that

## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Forbes made a quick trip to Jacksonville the past week.

Messrs. Livingston and Adams made us a short call on the 9th.

Col. Peckham and family have left Newport, and are now at their home in St. Louis.

Mr. W. S. Lane and family arrived from a long visit to their old home in Maine on the 10th.

Mr. James Monroe, of Edinburg, Scotland, has purchased Mr. Burt Clark's home place.

Messrs. Lemay and Rose fell from a scaffolding on the 14th, and Mr. Lemay was quite seriously injured.

Harry Davis, who has had charge of Mr. Ergood's business since he went away, has been ailing for a few days.

Robert White, wife and baby, accompanied by Miss White, of Washington, D. C., arrived on the 7th. All look well.

Mr. and Mrs. Ergood returned from a visit to their old home at Washington, D. C., on the 10th. Both are looking real well.

Rev. Dr. Hooker will leave Boston on the 18th inst. for Winter Park, and will, I believe, be accompanied by two of the college professors.

Mr. G. A. Rollins, of Boston, Mass., a brother of A. W. Rollins, will arrive this week to superintend the construction of the college buildings.

Mr. Chas. Nongesser, who has been one of the foremen on the hotel ever since its start, having completed his part of the work, left on the 12th.

Judge Wellborn arrived home on the 12th, and reports that O. E. Chapman and family will return from Canton, Mass., on the 15th of October.

Geo. W. Godfrey, of Rochester, N. Y., left here on the 14th. He will return about December 1st, and begin improving his twenty-acre purchase of Burt Clark.

Mr. Newell and Mr. McDowell and ladies, from Orlando, visited the Seminole on the 13th. They expressed themselves as greatly pleased and surprised at its beauty and size.

Rev. Walker officiated at the church on the morning of the 13th. He says the prospect for a large, healthy M. E. Church here is first-class, and expects to come soon with the Presiding elder to organize one.

Nat Poyntz, the Orlando banker, with a party of friends, visited the Seminole on the 13th, and were enthusiastic over it. They were partic-

## WINTER PARK.

Pay-day on the 22d.

Heavy rains Friday and Saturday. Oranges are growing finely, and the prospect is for a good crop.

The mammoth smoke-stack of the Seminole is done.

Mr. Chase made a short business trip to Jacksonville on the 24th.

Mr. E. N. Coen's pretty house near Rollins College is about complete.

Parties are hard at work putting in ranges and all sorts of machinery into the kitchen department of the Seminole.

Mr. James McIver, now of Narcoossee, but who has built a great many nice buildings in this section, spent the 21st here.

Our new blacksmith shop is nearly completed, and in a few days we can have all sorts of iron and steel work done here and not have to send it away.

The white coat of plaster will be complete on the Seminole this week. It is a beautiful piece of work, and

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## WINTER PARK.

There were six car loads of machinery on our side track on the 19th for The Seminole, including gas machine boilers, engine, laundry machinery, sewing tables, ranges, a large tank which is now being placed, all sorts of kitchen and bathing apparatus, and things which "ye scribe" knows no more about than "Porto" does the Dutch." It looks as though there was't room even in the mammoth hotel building for all the stuff, but under the hands of Messrs McDonald and assistants it is all placed just where it ought to go and by Jany. 1st the guests will only have to make their wants known to have them all supplied in first class shape. It don't seem possible that in seventeen weeks so complete and beautiful a structure should have sprung up, but its there, and the Directors have a building of which they may well feel proud. The hours, weeks and months of persistent, patient, intelligent work that Mr. Chase has devoted to the cause, begin to have their reward and "Nepac" hopes to see him sit on the porch, smoke 25c cigars and enjoy as much as the guests do, and that will be to the fullest, this magnificent hostelry.

Mr. E. L. Maxon, from Richburg, Alleghany Co., N. Y., bought a two acre lot from the Dr. Fanturn forty, at the North side of Winter Park, and will build immediately, intending to become a permanent citizen. Mr. M. is a teacher of long experience in N. Y., and is a son-in-law of Mrs. Lamson of this place, and will be a valuable addition to our society.

The Winter Park Poultry Farm has got a good start, has some elegant stock on hand and looks as though it might be made to pay. The proprietor Mr. J. H. Livemore is a gentleman, understands his business and if he had a little more money could make it boom. Here is a chance for some person of means to step into an established business.

Mr. A. F. Redmond is building a house in Hannibel sinners what does it mean when a single man begins to build a house?

Rev. Jos. Myrick a minister of the Baptist denomination has bought a lot and will shortly build.

The large tanks for soft water arrived and workmen commenced putting them in on the 17th.

The mammoth smoke stack 75 feet high and large in proportion was finished on the 22nd.

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## Winter Park.

Plenty of rain.

Elegant time to plant gardens and strawberry plants.

C. V. Charles, our station agent was relieved yesterday. For changing agents and time tables the South Florida railroad takes the prize.

Judge Mizell went to Sumter county to-day on Government business. The Judge is a true Southern gentleman, but a terrible "of fensive partisan."

Winter Park is soon to have a good blacksmith shop. Two Boston men arrived a short time ago, bought land of Wilson Phelps. Just as soon as lumber can be drawn a first class shop will be built.

Dr. E. P. Hooper, President of Rollins College, will arrive soon, to be in readiness to commence the college term.

Business is very good and any man that is willing to work can get all he can do, no matter what his trade is.

R. R. Thayer, the builder, is this week building a house near Lake Underhill, for Mr. R. Chamberlain, an English gentleman.

WINTER PARK has kept its winter boom on all summer, and the thing gets bigger and better every week. The growth which it is making is all of the very best kind, and is such as will insure the future of the place. Buildings are all first class and the new settlers are among the very best people in the State. The town is rapidly fulfilling the design of Messrs. Chapman & Chase when they first began operations there, and the result shows what can be accomplished by steady, faithful, persistent effort in any direction. The town is really the creation of these men, and they are entitled to great credit for their unremitting efforts.

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as follows "Knowles accepts my  
proposition every thing all right  
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be able to sleep now. Send me  
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each payable to his order but  
not dated. When I hear particulars  
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Mr. Hugh McCallum, one of the finest  
lawyers of Edinburgh, Scotland, having  
bought Messrs. Hannington & Patchen's  
place, proposes to go into the real estate  
business. This is a great acquisition to  
Winter Park.

C. H. Plummer, a young Englishman,  
who is a first-class veterinary surgeon, has  
commenced the practice of his profession  
in Winter Park. He is a student of a  
prominent veterinary college of England.

J. S. Shuck, editor of the ORLANDO  
DAILY NEWS, dropped in among us on  
Friday.

Hon. L. A. Chase, secretary of the Win-  
ter Park Improvement Co., went to Jack-  
sonville, Friday on business.

Our new station agent has arrived and  
taken charge of the South Florida railroad's  
business here.

The building boom has struck every  
portion of Winter Park; even in the col-  
ored quarters some ten to twenty new  
buildings are being erected.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, of the Rogers  
House, who have been North for the sum-  
mer, are expected back soon, to prepare  
for winter business.



BOSTON, MASS.,

22 Congregational House,

September 1, 1885.

NOAH PORTER, D. D., LL. D. :

*Dear Sir:* — By your courtesy I am permitted to address this open letter to you. I desire to write to persons who have property which they wish to place where it will do great and permanent good. With the favor of your introduction, I address myself to persons of this class directly.

I ask your attention to a cause in which I know you will be interested. Rollins College may seem, at first, like many other colleges, a good enterprise, but without any *special* claim for aid. It is located at Winter Park, Florida, and its location may seem so far away that the force of its appeal is diminished; while really its location is itself an appeal.

May I give some reasons why I think you will be justified in aiding this new enterprise?

1st. The educational destitution of Florida and the South.

A little more than eighteen months since I went from Massachusetts to Florida for the recovery of my failing health. I was permitted to do home missionary work. Most of my family went with me. We had taken the children from the rare educational privileges of New England to a land *desolate* in all such matters. We left behind us in almost every school district school-houses always comfortable, often elegant. We found town halls with walls unadorned, plain, bare chapels, and log houses, used on the Sabbath for religious services, and week days during a portion of the year as school-houses. The schools were running from two to five months per year with little classification and wholly inadequate facilities. Our privations were those of the people about us. Most of the "crackers" or "poor whites" of adult age cannot read. Forty-five of every one hundred voters in sixteen Southern



States are illiterate, and Florida is one of the most illiterate. Northern families about us are suffering the privations that come from this common ignorance.

Could your home missionaries from the North fail to feel the dense darkness? Would you not have disowned us, if we had not risen to build? We have founded a Northern institution at Winter Park. With children in our homes and all about us, we could not live there without such an institution. We intend that Rollins College shall be such that you might step into any department of it and think you were in New England. The teachers, the standards, the methods, are all to be Northern.

Is our appeal like that of like institutions at the North? Hundreds of thousands of dollars are annually expended upon architecture here. That is excellent as a matter of taste. I hope the day will come for it in the South. But at present we ask for the plain, comely, matter-of-fact *necessaries*. The atmosphere here is full of educational light. There is a *dark pall* of ignorance over the South.

Rollins College will be a sample of New England educational institutions in the South. It will stimulate the people; it will awaken the sluggish; it will exalt the standards of the whole State; it will create Preparatory Schools, Academies, and High Schools; it will send out teachers all through that region. Better school-houses will be built; better facilities every way will be provided. The College will be the right hand of all true progress.

Then, 2d: We from the North in Florida are thinking much about *national unity*. The *need* of the South, the educational *desolation*, have challenged our patriotism to do our best for that land. As a patriot you will sympathize with us in this. We are one country; they of the South wish that it should be so forever. Days of secession are gone. They speak no hard words to us; they want Northern industry and thrift and education. How can we, as lovers of country, make this land one, without changing the civilization of the South and making it in education and religion like the North? What else so powerful

or this as a Christian College? What made Massachusetts what he is in civilization? Was it not Harvard College, under God, and the colleges and schools that Harvard created? What has carried this oneness of civilization westward? Has it not been the planting of churches and schools by the pioneers? What would Massachusetts be today if it had not been for Harvard; if there had been no Harvard in the early days? Or Connecticut, if there had been no Yale? Florida will be the first Southern State to become Northern in its civilization. The climate is attracting many Northern people; but they would sink towards the old level of the South without education.

One Northern man, who has such mental strength and wisdom that he has amassed a fortune of \$100,000, and who has spent seven winters among the pitiful needs of Florida, has subscribed half of his estate for this institution. Men have subscribed what it may require years to pay, for the sake of giving the State this great educational boon. Florida is to be densely settled. It can be made another New England. The new day for the South may have its dawn there. Dr. H. D. Kitchel, formerly President of Middlebury College, who has spent several winters in Florida, and has been active in founding the College there, says: "I do not believe in all the South can be found an opening so large and auspicious, so clear of obstructions, as this which is now given us in Florida — nor one that so vitally touches the whole Southern question."

Dr. Henry Foster, whose winter home is within a few miles of the College site, says: "I know of no enterprise where the northern philanthropist can put his money where it will bring such large returns for humanity and the cause of Christ."

Prof. Austin Phelps, D. D., of Andover, taking the broader view of the world at large, says: "Your College speaks for itself, and the face of it. Every intelligent man must see the need of it. . . . No other Christian work, in my view, surpasses in importance that of the education of the South. God speed you in our part of it."





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My dear Mr. Chase

I enclose letter just recd. from Mr. Knowles & my answer. I hope it will bring him. I said nothing about College or anything spoken of in his letter as I thought it best to keep myself to the one thought. He is decidedly discursive in his style. If it was a possible thing I would go south with him at once as I have no doubt we could fix him if we had him on the ground, but my engagements are such that I cannot go. Return Mr. K's letter & my answer. Also let me know whether you & I have authority under our charter to execute a visit without action of the Board of Directors.

Yours truly  
J. W. Lyman

I have not sent out statements to other Directors, hoping I could say when I sent them that Mr. K. had agreed to put up the fee.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE GENERAL GRANT.

Received, from

L. A. Chase Esq.

the sum of

Five

Dollars,

contributed by

him

to the

GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION, in

accordance with the resolution adopted at a meeting of citizens, July 29th, 1885, at

which the Hon. Chester A. Arthur was Chairman.

*Frederic Morgan*  
Treasurers.

New York,

Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> 1885.



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good moral character. No one will be received to the college course under fourteen years of age, and to the Preparatory course under eleven years. Those received to the Preparatory course must be familiar with the studies usually pursued in the several grades of grammar schools. Students who pass successfully through our Preparatory course, will be received into the College course without examination. Those who bring certificates from other Preparatory schools of as high grade as that of Rollins College, that they have completed their course with satisfaction to their instructors, will be received upon their certificates. Those who are received to the Freshman Class upon examination, will be examined in the Latin and Greek Grammars, in the elements of Latin and Greek composition, six orations of Cicero and six books of Virgil's *Aeneid*, three books of Xenophon's *Anabasis*, two books of Homer's *Iliad*, Arithmetic, Elementary Algebra, Plane Geometry, English Grammar, the History of the United States and of Greece and Rome. Equivalents will be accepted. The Preparatory Departments will be open for those who have passed through the studies ordinarily embraced in grammar-school grades. The training Department will receive as Normal students those who have completed the ordinary high-school studies, or their equivalents. Normal students will be graded according to their experience in teaching and their proficiency in general studies bearing upon the work of teaching.

EXPENSES.

Collegiate and Preparatory Departments—Tuition per term, \$16.00; furnished room, provided with heat and light, \$10.00; board, including fuel and light, but exclusive of washing, \$56.00; total per term, \$82.00; total per year, \$164.00.

TRAINING DEPARTMENT.

Tuition of Normal students will be free. After the first term they will receive some compensation for teaching. Tuition of children in the Training Department, per term, \$8.00. Text books will be furnished at cost. Term bills must be paid at the commencement of each term.

For further information address, until October, 1885,

REV. E. P. HOOKER,  
Congregat'l House, Boston, Mas.

TOWN TALK.

Pay-day on the 10th.

Mr. Livermore's dairy and poultry yard is going on nicely.

Mr. Forbes made a quick trip to Jacksonville the past week.

Mr. Bell, of Hawthorne made us a pleasant visit the past week.

President Prentiss, of the Apopka & Atlantic R. R., dined at the Seminole on the 10th.

Prof. Ford has bought a lot and will commence to build a nice cottage near the college at once.

The mammoth oven for the hotel is now in place, and it looks as though baking for the whole county could be done in it.

The first car of lumber and brick is now on the grounds for Knowles Hall, one of the college buildings and the work will be pushed rapidly.

I understand that Mr. McKinlay has been appointed and accepted the position as Gen. Freight and Ticket Agent of the T. O. & A. R. R. We are glad of it on his account, but if it should take him away from Winter Park we should regret it very much.

The road that Mr. Lane has worked so industriously on for so long from his place along Lake Virginia to Win-

ter Park, has finally been allowed by the Commissioners, and the jury to condemn has acted, so that the prospects for a good road clear around Lake Virginia are very good.

Mrs. Albert Fish, whom so many in Winter Park will remember as the patient, cheerful sufferer from consumption, who spent nearly four months at the Rogers House last winter, died at her home in Three Miles Bay, New York on July 26. She was a lovely lady and her husband and daughter have the heartfelt sympathy of many friends in Winter Park.

On Saturday the 8th, about 5 p. m. a dispatch was received here, stating that the body of Gen. Grant was then being lowered into the vault in Riverside Park, the church bell was tolled for an hour, and the workman upon the Seminole held an informal meeting in the dining room, which was briefly addressed by Mr. Chase and Mr. McDonald and a good subscription was made to the Grant Monument fund which will be forwarded to the New York committee.

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### WINTER PARK, FLA.

#### Worcester's Interest in the New Resort.

Mr. Walter E. Forbes, so favorably known to the Worcester public by his hotel experiences at the Lincoln House here and the Tower House at Falmouth Heights, and who has for several seasons been connected with the St. James, at Jacksonville, Fla., has been in town during the past week on business connected with the completion and furnishing of the new Winter Park Hotel, of which mention has heretofore been made in our columns.

The house, which is well under way, will have accommodations for 300 guests, and is in one of the most healthful and delightful locations in the state. The building will be four stories in height, and is planned to furnish every convenience and luxury of hotel life demanded by modern wants. It is built and will be controlled by the Winter Park Company, of which Mr. F. B. Knowles of this city is one of the directors, and the fact that Mr. Forbes is to be its manager is a guaranty of the courtesy and comfort of the establishment. It will be ready for guests Dec. 1st.

Mr. Forbes and Mr. F. W. Lyman, the President of the Winter Park Company, have spent the last four weeks in the northern market making contracts for the equipment and furnishings of the new house. These include three steam yachts for use on the lakes, engine and boiler, elevator, and electrical plant, 5000 yards of carpet, 200 chamber sets, and all the table and bed linen, draperies, etc., for the place. Among other desirable features he will equip the house with a force pump and stand pipes, with hose, so as to be properly guarded against fire.

All these orders are now placed, and Mr. Forbes will go south next week, to superintend the work on the building. He will probably be here again in September to superintend the shipping of the material purchased, and will then return and give his personal attention to the putting in of the steam and other apparatus, and other furnishings. He is very sanguine in describing the location of Winter Park, and its attractions to Florida visitors, and the place promises to start next winter with every promise of success. It will be remembered that Winter Park is the point selected for the location of a Congregational College in Florida, and this will be to many an added attraction to the place.

Arrived at the vast pile of brick, lumber, lathes and mortar, fast assuming the comeliness characteristic of the handiwork of Messrs. McGuire & McDonald, contractors, of one of the largest and most elegant of the hotels in this State of hotels, we were soon dodging around after our guide, Mr. Chase, through its rooms, offices and parlors, up its temporary stairways and along its corridors, while awaiting that "camp dinner" about which so much had been said, and for which our delightful ride and cheerful converse had given us such keen appetites. How long we would have been thus engaged we cannot tell, had not Mr. W. E. Forbes, the accommodating Superintendent of the gastronomic department of the vast work now in progress, and who is to be the manager of the Winter Park when completed, arrested us in our mad career, and in-

vited us to dinner. Of that dinner we will not speak, further than to say, that if it is a forecast of what Mr. Forbes will do for his guests when under full headway, his fame as a host will know no bounds.

Dinner over, we resumed our seats in the rockaway and were taken by Mr. Chase to the matchless site of Rollins College. We can conceive of no spot more lovely and more elegantly adapted to the purpose for which it has been set apart. Already the grounds are being prepared, and as soon as Messrs. McGuire & McDonald shall have so far advanced the heavy work on the hotel as to enable them to do so, they will begin work on the College Chapel and Dormitories. From Mr. Chase we learn that the Chapel and two dormitories, one for girls and one for boys, costing in the aggregate about \$25,000, will be completed in time for the opening of the fall session of the College. The main building will be erected during next year. Of the munificence of the projectors of this Institution, destined to become one of the grand features in the system of Southern education, we will not now speak. In due time, the grand work they have undertaken will commend itself to the people North and South, and win for its philanthropic projectors the gratitude of thousands yet unborn. Leaving the lovely site of Rollins College, and after a brief visit of inspection to the charming home of Judge Welborne, we proceed to the elegant office of Mr. Chase, in the New Hampshire Block. Here we spent an hour "waiting 'till the clouds rolled by," and then "took a sail" on Lake Osceola with Mr. Capen, the accommodating and accomplished book-keeper of the Winter Park Company as oarsman, Mr. Chase remaining at his office to meet the many business calls that had

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Mr. G. A. Rollins is hard at work on the College buildings and will have them ready soon after the opening of the College. Arrangements are complete for opening it November 4th, sure.

John R. Ergood is busy putting a wide stairway from his store room into Old Town Hall. He has put a nice line of furniture up there, and can come about as near fitting out a house completely as anybody in South Florida.

A man drove up here in a buggy Saturday, and in just a short time had painted in big letters, C. J. Ladd, Hardware, Drugs, and Southern Express Office. I didn't get his name, but he was a rapid letterer and did good work.

The Seminole is to be eased with natural pine, with hard oil finish. Some of it is on now and it is beautiful work. There is certainly no handsomer wood for finishing purposes than the curly pine that grows all around us.

Misses Capen and Guild will open an art school in New Hampshire block about October 1st. They are both competent ladies, and will give first-class instructions in piano, vocal and organ music, and in painting, drawing, etc.

#### Winter Park.

The merchantile business of our genial postmaster is rapidly increasing.

Mr. Robert White is putting on an addition 20 x 28 feet to his building.

The new railway agent, S. H. Etter, is satisfying everybody so far as we can ascertain.

The colored people of Winter Park through the kindness of its residents and northern visitors have the finest church building in the State that we know of, outside of Jacksonville occupied by colored people.

Nearly half of the plastering on the Seminole Hotel is completed. Everyone in Orlando should drive out and see the finest plastering work in this whole section of country, which is being executed under the supervision of Mr. Geo. Nicoll.

S. P. Butler and Miss McKinney, of Tallahassee, were married at the Chamberlain residence, by J. C. Sterling, on Thursday night. Quite a large wedding party were present and all went merry as a marriage should.

J. A. McGuire, of the firm of McGuire & McDonald, contractors of the Seminole Hotel, arrived on Wednesday and left on the same day for St. Augustine, where they are building the magnificent Ponce De Leon Hotel, which will cost four dollars.

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Mr. T. B. Knowles, the great loom manufacturer of Worcester, Mass., who is a large land owner at Winter Park, has bought 10 acres of lots right in the heart of the town, and instructed Mr. H. S. Chubbs, who has all his orange grove business in charge, to immediately proceed to clear it up in the best possible manner, which he has most successfully accomplished. He has ordered fine sawed posts to be used in fencing and the wire is on the road. He has purchased the finest budded trees that can be got to be set upon these lots. When this is all completed they will be the most desirable lots at Winter Park, and will command a fabulous price.

The new saw mill firm of Wilks, McMillan & Co., who have only been going three months, are having at present more business than they can attend to according to their capacity, but arrangements are being made to enlarge the business at once, when they will be prepared to attend to anything in their line. Mr. O. J. McMillan is from New York City. Mr. J. L. Wilke is from Valdosta, Ga., Mr. M. G. Russell, the "Co.," is from near Richmond, Va. This is a good combination. The firm take No. 93 on our list and insert their advertisement at once.

Mr. John R. Ergood came to Winter Park from Washington, D. C., in 1882, and at once entered the store where he is now doing business and has carried on trade in it ever since. He also built the first private residence in the place. A post office was established at once, with Mr. E. as postmaster, and he has held the position ever since to the satisfaction of the entire community. His business is rapidly increasing, and he is perfectly satisfied with his Southern investment, knowing that in the near future Winter Park will be a city excelled only in Florida by Orlando. Mr. H. G. Davis, his efficient clerk, is liked by all and it would be impossible for Mr. E. to spare him.

Mr. Robert White, Jr. came to Winter Park from Washington, D. C., in 1882, commenced business here immediately, and has continued up to the present time. It has now reached large proportions, and he is obliged frequently to add to his room. The trustees of Rollins College have rented the hall over his store for temporary purposes until Knowles Hall is completed. Mr. W. O. Cady, who has been with Mr. White for about four months, has made hosts of friends already, and is a great addition to the business.

The first colored man in Winter Park to bring up his half a dollar for a month's subscription to the DAILY NEWS, is Major Smith, one of the most industrious and highly respected colored men of this place.

Mr. A. C. Robinson came to Winter Park from Lancashire, England eight months ago, purchased a part of the Holden homestead, and other land amounting to nearly 60 acres, and is devoting his whole time to the orange grove business.

H. A. Smith came from Sumter County, S. C., to Florida in 1854, settling in Volusia Co. where he lived until 1871, when he removed to Osceola, one mile from Winter Park, he and Judge John R. Mizelle being the first settlers at that place. Two years ago he removed to his present stand, where he built the store he now occupies and has remained in business at that point ever since. Mr. Smith induced the first northern settler ever seen in this locality to make his home here. This was in 1873 and the gentleman's name is Wilson Phelps. He came from Chicago and remains still in the place.

Evanston, Indiana, Saturday.

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Prof. Barrows, Professor of Mathematics and Physics in Rollins College arrived on the 6th and has taken charge of the preliminary work of opening the college; he is an energetic, enthusiastic worker and the College will open November 4th with an able corps of instructors and a good list of students. The Professor will spend two days of each week in Sanford of which he will give notice, and we hope everybody interested in education will call and see him.

Among a large lot of correspondence received by the W. P. Co., there isn't a letter that Mr. Chase has opened that has been read with greater interest than the following from Ollie Chapman: "Dear Chasie: Joe and Sadie going to be married. I jest buyed him a little dog got his hat in his mouth. How is the horse car and the mule. Me gets up and kiss my little every morning. Me hope I will get down to winter Park before the snow comes. Uncle Ed is coming home to-morrow, me just got a new hat to-day. Uncle Bill been to Chicago just got home last night. Me going to get a hand organ Christmas for myself. I saw a hand organ couple days ago and he was waltzing around with it. Sometimes mamma holds the baby, sometimes papa holds the baby, sometimes grandma holds the baby, how is my dog. Just been to Boston to-day. I wish you could come up to see me. Good bye and good night from little Ollie."

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to Chicago just got home last night. How is my  
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for myself, I saw a see me -  
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days ago, and he was good night - from  
walking around, Little Alice  
with it.

Sometimes mamma



Very little sickness in town. Fountain soda water at Chas. Ladds. Mr. H. A. Smith has some excellent cider.

Bottled soda water at Doncal & Klemmens.

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There will be a grand festival given at the Odd Fellows Hall, Lake Maitland, Fla. October 7th, 1885, by the Winter Park Brass Band. Admission 25 cents. Go one, go all, and enjoy yourselves, for the committee will spare no pains in making this one of the best entertainments that has ever been given at Lake Maitland. Good order will be preserved. Doors open at 6:30 o'clock p. m. Committee: Mrs. Anna Levott, Mrs. Edith Straughter, Mrs. Deannah Ward, Mrs. Kate Frazier, Mr. L. P. Price, Mr. Geo. L. Savage, General Manager.

Sugar apples ripe in Winter Park. Mrs. Camilla Storm, of Tetley, returns home next Friday.

Ben Butler, of Boston, Mass. has been working in the carpentering line at the Seminole since the 15th of May last.

Thos. Clary, carpenter at the Seminole came to Winter Park in May last from Amsterdam, Montgomery Co., N. Y.

Bruce Taylor came to Winter Park last Monday morning from Jacksonville and is engaged in carpenter work on the Seminole.

The NEWS has seventy-one regular subscribers at Winter Park. Can any other paper show such a list at this place.

Winter Park furnishes the Jacksonville Guava Factories with nearly all the fruit they have used in making jelly and preserves.

J. K. Van Broder who came last Thursday to work on the Seminole, from Athens, O., takes this morning six copies of the NEWS to let his people know where he is.

W. A. Smith came to Winter Park three months ago from Bangor, Maine, and is at present steward of the Seminole, but will rise higher as he has come to Winter Park to stay.

Our Winter Park agent is doing all he can to further the interests of that town, and if he promises to put in matter and it does not appear the next morning, it will the morning after.

Rev. C. S. Williams, Rector of St. Marks church, Palatka and also General Missionary of the State of Florida in a letter to the New York "Churchman" says "Winter Park is superb."

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Pay-day on the 5th.

Lovely Fall days, don't you enjoy them?

Chabot & Earl are putting up a neat residence on West Park Avenue.

Messrs. R. M. Pulsifer and E. B. Haskell have made liberal donations to Rollins College.

The reason J. H. Abbott looks so happy is that his wife and baby arrived Saturday, the 3d.

Mr. C. E. Lawson left us last week for his home in New York State. We hope to see him back this way soon.

Capt. Dick Marks and wife, Major Marks and wife, L. O. Garrett and ex-Sheriff Shine visited the Seminole on the 5th.

J. S. Capen moved into the neat cottage just completed on Lake Osceola and belonging to his mother, on the 5th.

J. H. Livingston, the prominent real estate dealer of Orlando, will have his son John attend Rollins College this winter.

Mr. J. S. Capen is moving.

L. A. Chase has gone to Sanford for a day or two.

The frame work of Chabot & Earl's house is up.

Richard Credell and Frazier & Williams have plenty on hand to do.

Buists seeds, the most reliable and popular, are for sale at the Winter Park Drug Store.

Mr. Ladd is having a run on Adams & Westlake's oil stoves. Hammock are also a feature of the trade this fall.

J. R. Ergood has erected an ice house and is handling ice for the Orlando Ice Co. and can always supply you with what you want in that line.

John R. Ergood has in stock a full line of imported luxuries. He can please the most fastidious in this branch of his business. Try his genuine Moulding Java coffee fresh roasted twice a week.

Robt. White, jr., will soon have more store room than any store has for miles around. He believes in being in the van always. His display of crockery and glassware will be on exhibition in two weeks. His shoes and drygoods departments, will be studied for the customers interest. Mr. White never gets left very far behind.

Next winter Winter Park will have its own Banks, Theatre, regular preaching every Sabbath in all of it their half dozen churches instead of two sermons a month. It is too late to get up these matters for this season and the many strangers in our midst will have to rely on Orlando for the above things, and we think it absolutely necessary for the citizens along the line of road to induce the South Florida R. R. Co., to put on a train to run regularly every hour from five a. m. to midnight from Pine Castle to the Seminole.

All communications relating to Winter Park and Wilcox should be addressed to: J. S. Shuck, Manager Winter Park Department, Winter Park, Florida. Office in New Hampshire block, and all citizens hearing of anything of local interest in the place will oblige us by making a memorandum of same on one side of a sheet of paper, write their name on the other side and drop it in the box we have prepared just inside of the door leading up into the Winter Park Company's office. Subscribers will find their papers at the postoffice as soon as it is open in the morning, as we have them at Winter Park by 6:30.

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#### THE SEMINOLE.

##### Some Facts in Regard to It.

Terms for transients, \$4.00 per day; special season and special rates.

New oranges are becoming more plenty every day at two for 5 cents.

Telegraph and postoffice in the house. Depot one quarter mile distant, connected by a street railway.

Everything has been provided to make this beautiful house attractive and home like for old and young.

Hunting parties will find the "Seminole" excellent headquarters, as plenty of game is found to the southward.

The "Seminole" has been made as perfect and complete in every department as money and skill could make it.

The table will be supplied with fresh milk, poultry, eggs, vegetables, berries, oranges, guavas and other fruits, from farms near by, and the best of meats from Chicago.

Here, upon this broad and beautiful plateau, the weary traveler, escaping from the cold and bitter winds and storms of the frigid North, can find rest, comfort and luxury.

Winter Park is celebrated far and near as a beautiful and healthy spot, and hundreds of former visitors will be glad to know that this large first class hotel is ready to receive them.

This new and magnificent hotel of 200 rooms will open for guests, Jan. 1st, 1886, under the management of W. E. Forbes, for many years connected with the St. James at Jacksonville, Florida.

It is furnished throughout in the very best manner; it being the aim of the proprietors to have the "Seminole" obtain and retain the reputation of being equal, if not superior, to any hotel in Florida.

Walks and drives among the grand old pines and orange trees, moonlight excursions on the lakes, fishing, rowing, sailing, dancing, etc., will furnish the pleasure seeker with all that he can desire.

It is heated by steam throughout, and has gas, elevator, electric bells, fire alarm, and the most approved fire protection and escapes on every floor, with hot, cold, and steam baths, and a perfect system of sewerage.

Here the seeker for health can find it in the pure ocean air laden with the balsamic

Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida.

This institution will open November 4th, 1885, with the following faculty of instructors:

Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., President.  
N. Barrows, A. M., M. D., Professor of Mathematics and Physics.

Rev. Frank S. Child, Professor of Education and of English and American Literature.

William W. Lloyd, A. B., Professor of Ancient Languages, and Principal of Training Department for Teachers.

Miss Louise M. Abbott, Assistant Principal of Training Department for Teachers, and Leader of Grammar and Primary Grades.

Knowles Hall and one of the cottages are now in progress of erection, and it is hoped they will be ready for occupancy on January 1st, 1886. Meanwhile suitable temporary accommodations are being provided by the trustees, and the work of the College will begin as above stated.

Prof. Barrows will be at the office of the Sinclair Real Estate Agency on Friday and Saturday of this week and next, between the hours of 12 and 1, and 3 and 5, where he will be happy to see parents and others interested in education, and give them such other information as they may require.

five pound daughter,

Knowles Hall is fast approaching completion and the workmen have commenced on the third college building.

Chas. Farren, who left here the 10th of March last, came back on the 9th and expects his family to follow soon.

If Mr. Morton had not got back last week, Mr. Ladd could not have attended to all his customers, last Saturday.

Chas. Davenport came here last May from Green Cove Springs and has charge of a great deal of work at Rollins College.

Mr. Brooks, who is one of the Florida correspondents of the South, thinks of purchasing a lot and erecting a home at Winter Park.

An advertisement of the Belt Co., will soon appear in our columns and a sample of it can be seen around a portion of the lot of Geo. W. Godfrey in front of the Seminole.

Mr. Forbes is always glad to show visitors over the Seminole. We pay the hotel a visit every morning and it is astonishing how much work can be done in one day by eighty workmen.

A. Hopwood of the real estate firm of Sneed & Hopwood, is expecting the arrival of six gentlemen from England in the course of the week. They propose to settle in the vicinity, and in the meantime will stay with Mr. Hopwood, at his place on Lake Maitland.

M. A. Shelf, who left Winter Park on the 2nd of September for Waverly, New York, came back on Tuesday last accompanied by T. J. Niemeyer, of Scranton, Penn. The latter has not determined where he will locate; but Mr. Shelf is going to work as machinist at Moye & Wilson's mill.

Rev. H. J. Walker organized the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Winter Park, Sunday morning at the close of his regular services with a membership of live people, and a fine prospect for increase in the near future. Charles J. Ladd, formerly of Everett, Mass., was appointed class leader, and H. A. Smith, class collector.

Mr. F. W. Brooks, of Bell View, Florida, and Thomas Parks, of Palmer, Mass., who are locating agencies for the Belt Fencing Co., came over from Orlando this morning to look at Winter Park. They have about concluded to locate their depot for this section of the State, at Orlando with a sub-agency at Winter Park.

The main idea in founding Winter Park was to make it a center of refinement and education. Winter Park has four general stores, which include a drug and hardware store; also a bakery, fish and meat market,

#### WINTER PARK.

Mr. Charles Shine called on the 7th.

We have had very heavy rains lately.

Geo. Fernald of Tuxbury & Fernald was here on the 9th.

Mrs J. C. Stovin arrived on the 9th from a long visit in the North.

Mrs. Cady, Mrs. Seymour and Louise Capen arrived on the 10th.

Mrs. D. W. Holden and her mother arrived here on the 6th from Maine.

Col. Peckham and family will arrive from St. Louis about December 1st.

Mr. J. H. Mooney the energetic music dealer in Orlando called on the 6th.

Messrs. McDonald and Chase went to St. Augustine on the 7th on a business visit.

The report for the explosion of the Mayo ice factory was very distinctly heard here.

There was a Methodist church organized here on the 11th with full board of officers and with flattering prospects.

Messrs. O. H. Barron and Frank A. Cofran owner and manager of several large houses in the White Mountains were here on the 6th.

Mr. Molner, of Longwood, called on the 9th and added the name of his niece, Miss Carrie Petriss to the list of Rollins College students.

They have struck an elegant vein of pure, delicious water on the college campus and with a fine force pump will supply all the water needed.

Our band gave a fine concert and festival on the 7th; it was well attended and the boys made some money which they expect to use in the erection of a hall to practice in.

Mr. Robert Reid, of Glasgow, Scotland, called on the 7th; he has bought twenty acres on the south side of Lake Killarney of H. S. Kedney and will go back to Scotland in a week or so and be back here in the winter to improve his purchase.

The pay roll of the Seminole has been from 125 to 200 men all summer, many of them just from the North and of this number we have hardly had a case of sickness and not a single serious one; this speaks volumes for the purity of the water and the health of this locality.

Four car loads of sash and blinds came on the 7th for the Seminole and are rapidly being placed. It speaks well for Orange county, when out of a great many competitors in the North and North-west, Tuxbury & Fernald should secure the contract for sash and blinds for the Seminole against them all.

Our new circulars have arrived and the Winter Park Company is busy sending them out. They are beauties and reflect great credit on the artistic taste of Mr. O. E. Chapman who has had charge of them. They have a very pretty cut of the Seminole, a fine birds-eye view of this locality and some very pretty printed matter descriptive of Florida, Orange county, Winter Park, Rollins College &c.

It looks as though the Florida boom would be largely augmented this winter. Hardly a day passes that we are not visited by some of the prominent hotel men of Northern summer resorts, all anxious to have hotels in Florida and all enthusiastic as to its future. They all express themselves as delighted with the Seminole; they admire its arrangement, machinery and fine proportions and, without exception, predict for it a fine, profitable



Messrs. Sidney T. Chase and Robert Given, of Sanford, spent Tuesday night with Mr. L. O. Chase.

John Brown hails from Albany, Ga., and has charge of W. S. Lane's orange grove at Winter Park. He came last year.

Mr. H. S. Chubbs has let to Capen & Co. the contract of plowing the ten acres of lots of Hon. Francis P. Knowles, near the depot.

N. T. Goodwin came from Dadesville, N. C., to Orlando in 1883, and worked at the carpenter trade; came to Winter Park the 13th of July last and started a bakery, in which business he tells us he cannot complain. In fact, who is it in Winter Park who can complain?

The bursting of the glass water gauge of the little Shipman steam Engine used by the Orlando Printing Company, about five o'clock Tuesday evening filled the office with steam and caused quite a commotion among the employees for a few minutes, but happily did no damage.

There is a fascination in the very name of a mocking bird, and the tourists from their northern homes who visit Florida and the orange groves for the first time find their fondest dream realized. They can recline under the green foliage of the orange, lemon and lime, and breathe the balmy air laden with the fragrance of orange blossoms, and listen to the sweet notes of the beautiful birds.—Harriet Beecher Stowe.

There being no Division of the Sons of Temperance here, we are asked to say that Orange Blossom Division, No. 62, of Orlando, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall every Monday evening at 7 o'clock p. m., and that all members of the order in good standing in Winter Park are cordially invited to attend, and also asked to assist in getting new members. The meeting last Monday evening was quite interesting. There were present eight ladies and sixteen gentlemen. Three new members were admitted, one lady and two gentlemen. A resolution was passed thanking the Sanford Argus for its course in late county matters, and for its steadfast advocacy of the temperance cause, and a resolution was also passed asking the manager of the Winter Park department of the Orlando Daily News to insert in the Sunday's issue a column of matter to be handed him by the previous Friday, the same to be prepared by a committee appointed by the Division.

H. S. Chubb is in Palatka on a business trip.

Everything is beginning to look lively and is lively with us.

The stream of visitors to the Park do not grow less as the Seminole nears completion.

We doubt if a prettier place than Winter Park could be found in the State. Visitors all agree in this.

Mr. White's fine display of goods are now on exhibition and as his store is completed he would like to see his friends.

C. R. Switzer has returned from Chicago and will at once break up, fence, set out trees and otherwise fix up Knowles' addition to Winter Park.

D. Kahnweiler, representing the Pan Wick, New Hampshire Furniture Company, was in town yesterday and sold a fine bill of furniture to J. R. Ergood.

Speaking of improvements, no town in South Florida can get ahead of Winter Park. Each week more neat cottages and tasty residences add to the beauty and loveliness of our attractive little town.

#### ROLLINS COLLEGE.

##### The New Congregational School at Winter Park Getting into Form.

We learn from Rev. S. F. Gale that this institution, which was recently located at Winter Park by the General Congregational Association of this State, will commence its first school year on November 4th next.

In the collegiate course a Freshman class will be received. The Preparatory Department will admit students to all its grades. The Training Department for teachers will welcome nine teachers free of tuition. Children of primary and grammar school grades will be received to this department at \$8 per term for tuition. Any further information may be obtained by addressing Dr. E. P. Hooker, president, 22 Congregational House, Boston, Mass., or Rev. S. D. Smith, Orlando, Fla.

The public will be pleased to learn that President Hooker is meeting with fine success in his summer work at the North on behalf of the college. Much interest has been awakened in this important enterprise. Great pains and study have been bestowed upon plans of the buildings. Mr. F. B. Knowles contributes for a building for chapel and recitation rooms \$10,000 or \$12,000. The material for "Knowles Hall" is already being delivered on the ground. Students are assured for all departments, and a full board of instruction has been secured.

The following is taken from the prospectus, which has just been published:

In Rollins College an earnest effort is made to meet the great and diversified educational needs of Florida. It is an institution for co-education. The charter provides for four departments:

1. The collegiate, with its course of highest standard in the ancient classics, in modern languages, in mathematics and physics, and in English literature and elective studies.

2. The preparatory department, which must do an important work, for the present at least, in fitting students for college.

3. The training department for teachers, which will instruct those who would teach in the public schools and elsewhere, in the studies bearing upon their work and in the theory and practice of their calling. To this end, and to afford the best facilities for the vicinity for primary education, children will be received into this department and placed under the instruction of the normal students. This work will be under the constant guidance of a trained and experienced principal and assistant.

4. An industrial training department, in which the young ladies and gentlemen of the other departments can choose some useful line of practical industry, and while the mind is cultivated can obtain exercise and can acquire knowledge and skill in the industrial arts.

The school year will usually begin the middle of October and close the first of June, and consist of two terms of equal length, with a vacation of two weeks between them. The long vacation will be from the first of June until the middle of October.

The home life of the college will be after what is known as the "cottage plan." Separate cottages will be erected for the young ladies and the young gentlemen, each accommodating about thirty students. The rooms will be arranged in suits of two, so that two students can occupy one as a study and the other as a sleeping room with two single beds, or each student can have entire privacy. The rooms will be furnished, except that the students will provide their own linen. Each cottage will be under the care of a matron, who will be watchful of the health, happiness, and general welfare of the students, and throw about them the atmosphere of a cultivated, cheerful Christian home.

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Mr. Thacker, a gentleman from San Mateo, is here prospecting.

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W. A. Sweet, the popular young steward of the "Seminole," made a flying trip to Orlando yesterday, on business connected with that house.

Two pretty little steam yachts, Secretary Chase informs us, have been ordered by the Winter Park Company. One will be placed upon Lake Virginia, and the other upon the beautiful Osceola.

Rev. Dr. Hooker left Boston Thursday for Winter Park, with a party of six, and are expected to arrive Tuesday or Wednesday. A nice dinner and reception will be prepared for them by our ladies.

At the drug store a lot of perfumes, fine quality, has just been received.

You will surely want to attend the song service at church next Sunday morning.

J. R. Ergood is in receipt of another invoice of Orange county, N. Y., creamery butter.

Hand in your items and assist us to make the Winter Park Department a success. We will appreciate all favors shown in that line.

Our city was effectually lightened of its population yesterday, a great number going to the celebration and barbecue at Lakeland. That lively little town had a day long to be remembered by them and the participants.

An appropriate praise service of scripture reading and song will be held in the Congregational Church at 10:30 A. M. Mr. Chas. J. Ladd will lead the service and Mr. James Munroe will preside at the organ. Everyone is cordially invited.

Sunday, Oct. 18th will be observed by the M. E. Church throughout the country as "Glad Tidings Day" and special commemorative services will be held. This day is also the one appointed as an occasion for special prayer for Sunday schools all over the world.

An error was made in saying that an M. E. Church was organized at Winter Park last Sunday. A class meeting was formed and Mr. Ladd, the leader, has authority to receive the letters and names of any persons wishing to join the Church in Winter Park, which will be organized in November, when the presiding elder comes on his quarterly visit.

COMMUNICATIONS and items of local interest, social notes, etc., solicited from our Winter Park friends. Kindly make a note of anything you may learn (writing only on one side of the sheet,) sign your name on the back thereof; enclose in envelope addressed to the "DAILY NEWS, Winter Park Dept." Leave in the Winter Park Improvement Company's office, where a member of our staff will call each morning for publication at 6:30. Winter Park subscribers will find their papers at their postoffice as soon as it opens each day.

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Major Chapman  
Chelsea Eng.

My Dear Sir:

Your esteemed favor of the 23d inst. has just been received and I hasten to answer your inquiries.

The Winter Park Co. was organized last April under a strong special charter from the State of Florida with a capital of which was fully paid in and the shares of \$100. each are non assessable and the shareholders are not individually liable for any debts of the company beyond the amount they pay for the stock and it is therefore limited according to the English custom.

We have a very strong Company composed of such men as Col. Fairbanks of the world renowned scale works and we are engaged in developing one of the most beautiful if not the most beautiful track of land in the whole state of Florida and you will say so upon the strictest investigation.

We have about completed a magnificent hotel of 200 rooms which we decided to call "The Seminole" instead of the "Highlands" as first proposed. I enclose copy of our prospectus which will give you an idea of our scheme.

Our stock is worth par and none of it is offered for less, in fact none of it is on the market for the general public as we desire and intend to pick our men and we confine our list of holders to gentlemen who will be in sympathy with our ideas of "refinement and education".

Our property is improving very fast and we hope soon to see our stock worth double its par value.

Should you feel inclined to look into the matter any further I shall be glad to hear from you and shall take the greatest of pleasure in welcoming you to Winter Park and giving you a drive about our beautiful lakes.

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Mr. Chapman  
Boston, Mass.

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I have returned favor of  
the 22<sup>nd</sup> and have just received yours in answer to answer  
your inquiry.

The United States was organized last April  
under a strong capital from the State of Florida  
with a capital of \$1,000,000, which was fully paid in  
and the shares of \$100 each are now now available  
and the shareholders are not individually liable for  
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Very Truly Yours  
L. A. Chase  
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Prof. A. B. Cheney, of Dorset, Vt., who will have charge of the music in Rollins College, came on the 23d.

Mr. Diffenderfer and Mr. Latham, lately from Virginia, but who now register as from Winter Park, arrived on the 23d.

Rev. Walker, pastor of the Methodist church, preached in the dining room of the Seminole on the afternoon of the 25th.

Dr. W. H. Turpin of Washington, D. C., a friend of Mr. Ergood, is here prospecting with a view of making a nice home here.

W. E. Forbes left on the 24th for Boston and New York to complete arrangements about furniture, carpets, etc., for the Seminole.

Prof. Butterfield has made arrangements with Capen & Co., to have his two beautiful lots near Rollins College cleared and beautified at once.

The road of which I complained in my last has been thoroughly overhauled and fixed. Nothing like stirring things up in THE ARGUS once in a while.

Mrs. Sarah E. Burke, of Sanford, spent Saturday, the 24th, here and bought a lot on which she will build a nice cottage at once. She has two children to enter Rollins College.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers have returned and will open the Rogers House about Nov. 1st. They know how to keep a good house, and their guests this winter may be sure of A 1 treatment.

Every train brings visitors, settlers, furniture, etc., for Winter Park; the boom is here, sure, and could rent houses, furnished apartments, etc., every day, if we had them. Here is a chance for good profitable investment for somebody.

Judge Lawrence arrived on the 18th looking splendidly. The brass band gave him a serenade on the 21st as a way of showing their appreciation of his generous gift of their instruments. The band also serenaded Messrs. Hopwood and Fell, the same evening.

Workmen are busy fitting up White's hall for the opening of Rollins College, and all arrangements are going forward rapidly so that by Nov. 4th it can be opened in first class shape. Some of the Professors are already here and a more energetic, enthusiastic party can't be found.

Mr. Mahlon Gore of the Reporter, drove his "high stepper" up here on the 23d and dined with Mr. Chase. After dinner he took a good look at the Seminole, Rollins College, etc., and expressed perfect satisfaction with all arrangements made. We can count on Mr. Gore as one of our best friends.

E. P. Hooker, of Mass., the president of Rollins College, is being looked for daily and the five other teachers will also soon be along. Arrangements have been made for all necessary rooms on College Hill in which to open the exercises of the Seminary, pending the completion of the college building. Everything will be carried on the style befitting a first-class college and the very name of Dr. Hooker, so well known throughout New England, is enough to assure patrons of the excellence of the institution. In this connection we call attention to the generosity of the South Florida Railroad who offer to carry scholars living on the line of their road who are over twelve years of age at a cent per mile, and under that age at half a cent. These tickets can only be obtained at the home office of the railroad at Sanford.

#### ROLLINS COLLEGE.

It is important that the name of every pupil that is intending to attend Rollins College should be sent to me at once, so that all arrangements can be completed for opening the College November 4th, SURE.  
L. A. CHASE,  
Winter Park.

#### "Torchlight procession."

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Rev. Frank S. Child, Professor of Elocution and of English and American Literature.

William W. Lloyd, A. B., Professor of Ancient Languages, and Principal of Training Department for Teachers.

Miss Louise M. Abbott, Assistant Principal of Training Department for Teachers, and Leader of Grammar and Primary Grades.

Knowles' Hall and one of the cottages are now in progress of erection, and it is hoped they will be ready for occupancy on January 1st, 1886. Meanwhile suitable temporary accommodations are being provided by the trustees, and the work of the College will begin as above stated.

Prof. Barrows will be at the office of the Sinclair Real Estate Agency on Friday and Saturday of this week and next, between the hours of 12 and 1, and 3 and 5, where he will be happy to see parents and others interested in education, and give them such other information as they may require.

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A dispatch received from Dr. Hooker on the morning of the 20th announced the coming of his party on the 9 o'clock train. According to previous arrangements the church bell was rung and in a few minutes the parsonage was in the possession of the ladies of Winter Park, who proceeded to prepare a fine dinner for the party. Promptly at 9 o'clock the party arrived and were driven to the parsonage in buggies, and at 1 o'clock a splendid dinner was served. Mr. Forbes of the Seminole, provided a fine roast of mammoth proportions,

Austin and Barrows have taken the Moses house and Mr. Ainsworth and family have moved into the Dr. Gear property. Miss Foster will board at Miss Lamson's until Mr. Chapman and family arrives, about Nov. 15th.

and a large pan of beans which were hugely enjoyed as only Boston people could. The party consisted of Rev. E. P. Hooker, wife and children, Prof. and Mrs. Austin and son Lewis, J. E. Ainsworth, wife and daughter and Miss Grace Foster. Professors



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Two ice factories near Winter Park.  
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The Winter Park Social Club meets in Town Hall.

Mrs. Rogers has returned.

Mr. E. K. Pierce made a flying trip to friends yesterday.

Mr. Wilson Phelps went to Sanford yesterday morning.

The beautiful Seminole is being rapidly pushed forward toward completion.

We noticed some nice tomatoes in town yesterday, from the Holden place.

Miss Grace Foster, from Massachusetts, arrived on Tuesday with Dr. Hooker and friends.

Prof. L. A. Austen, wife and son, were among Rev. Dr. Hooker's party arriving on Tuesday.

Mr. Hopwood's father and another party of friends from Old England arrived on Tuesday.

The click of the hammer and buzz of the carpenter's saw fills the air with "the music of prosperity."

Mr. J. E. Ainsworth, wife and daughter, relatives of Dr. Hooker, arrived with them on Tuesday, and will spend the season with us.

One of the prettiest pieces of workmanship we have noticed is the new desk of Secretary Chase in the Winter Park Improvement Company's office.

These are Lima beans at White's are

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A photographer is one of the probabilities for the near future.

Knowles' addition will be plowed, fenced and beautified right away.

C. R. Switzer, Esq., has returned from quite a visit in Chicago and the North.

E. Flourand, agent for Duparquet & Huot, a large hotel furnishing house of New York, was here this week.

Henry S. Chubb is on a visit to Palatka, looking after the large interests of which he has the management for Fairbanks & Co.

We are looking for two pretty steam yachts with all modern improvements, on every train. Our street car is due to arrive, also.

Mr. Chase went to Lakeland on the excursion with a full supply of circulars, etc. He enjoyed the trip very much and speaks well of the place.

Dr. Barrows is hard at work organ-

Two pretty little steam yachts, Secretary Chase informs us, have been ordered by the Winter Park Company. One will be placed upon Lake Virginia, and the other upon the beautiful Osceola.

Rev. Dr. Hooker left Boston Thursday for Winter Park, with a party of six, and are expected to arrive Tuesday or Wednesday. A nice dinner and reception will be prepared for them by our ladies.

#### Church Services.

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The arrivals at Winter Park yesterday were 27 persons.

The Park in front of Ergood's store is being put in shape.

The masonry work on the boilers of the "Seminole" is nearly completed.

Mr. Capen says it may look dull at the Park, but he finds enough to keep him busy "from early morn till late at night."

The faculty of Rollins College all arrived, safe and sound, yesterday morning. This is the commencement of our winter's arrivals and "boom."

Robt. White, jr., has the finest smoked meats in the market. He makes a specialty in fine evaporated apples. His \$1 can of pure Java coffee is receiving wide-spread attention throughout this section.

Have you seen the second story of Ergood's mammoth store? No! Well, you have missed a sight. If he does not quit pretty soon, the best part of the establishment will be up-stairs. Mr. E. says it is to be "admission free."

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Boxes, barrels, packages, etc., almost without end, all labeled "L. Lawrence," point very strongly to his coming soon. We shall be glad to see him, as he is one of our most enterprising and genial citizens.

Those blacksmiths over there by the depot make merry welcome music on their anvils and can make you anything—from a cannon ball to a locomotive. If you don't believe it give Chacot & Earl a chance and they will prove it to you.

Geo. E. Bryson, City Editor of the Daily News at Orlando, made us several calls last week. We hope they will get the News through the "hard sledding" it has had lately, for it does seem as though a daily paper ought to pay in Orange county.

Rev. Dr. Hooker with a party of sixteen, arrived on the 20th. Dr. Hooker will preach in the Congregational church on the 25th. I will write you all the facts and particulars about the whole party for your next issue, but haven't them yet.

Somebody should attend to the fixing up of Osceola Avenue after it leaves the limits of Winter Park. It is a disgrace to any community to have such a fearfully bad piece of road, and it would add greatly to the looks of the beautiful properties in that locality to have it fixed.

Somebody that will come here and build about a dozen neat cottages and a nice apartment house furnished will make money. There isn't a day nor an hour but what we have inquiries for furnished rooms, cottages, or any other accommodations, and it seems too bad not to have them to offer.

Mr. Thacher from San Mateo, Fla., has been looking around here for several days with a view of availing himself of our school advantages. A great many people are looking the same way and we are bound to say that none of them will be disappointed if money, ability and enterprise will make a good school.

Work was begun on the 19th on a double store building just north of the post-office. It is to be two stories high, and one store room below and the entire second story are rented to Messrs. Donkle & Klemmer for a barber shop, billiard parlor, skating rink, etc. What use will be made of the other store room I am not yet informed; but Mr. Ergood is wide awake and will find a use for it long before it is finished, I predict.

Dr. Barrows, Professor of Mathematics in Rollins College, has just returned from Lake City, Columbia

Robt. White is continually increasing his large stock of goods. He finds that a large assortment is necessary to fill all the heavy orders he daily receives. He will soon have a fine stock of holiday goods.

The people all exclaim, what pretty glassware White has in his store, the genuine Bohemian, and that is only a portion of his stock. Call and look his goods over. He is always ready to show you his goods.

The following party from England are now staying with Aubrey Hopwood at the Bigelow House: Mr. Hopwood, sr., Miss Hopwood, Mr and Mrs. Aston, General Swinhoe and Mr. Swinhoe, Mr. Howard, Mr. Pruen, Mr. Chichester and Mr. Conyngham.

The special postal delivery system is in order, and stamps are on sale at Winter Park postoffice.

Work on White's hall is going on, making ready recitation rooms for the temporary use of Rollins College.

J. E. Ainsworth's household goods arrived yesterday, and he will soon be one of the housekeeping denizens of Winter Park.

Prof. Barrows came on Wednesday and is making preparations to go to housekeeping. He and Prof. Austin are going to occupy the Moses house.

Jno. R. Ergood's stock of imported goods is simply immense, and customers come in daily from all directions and distances to try them. Among other luxuries may be found Cross & Blackwell's whole fruit jams and mixed pickles, English chutney sauce, anchovies in oil, Aussee Indian currie powders and Colman's mustard, in fact nothing likely to tempt the appetite is left out by this live merchant.

The Winter Park Band (colored) of some thirteen or fourteen pieces, were out serenading on Wednesday night, calling on some of our new comers, Messrs. Hopwood, Lawrence and Fell. Mr. Lawrence got up and made them a short speech in his night wraps. Both the serenaders and the serenaded enjoyed the visit, as the latter were taken completely by surprise. The band rendered some excellent music, as is acknowledged by all who heard them, and have made very commendable improvement.

#### WINTER PARK.

Mr. S. F. Capen is having a five acre lot cleared on Interlachen avenue, preparatory to further improvement for Mr. Cook, of Chicago.

Mr. A. E. Rogers, a genial, lively hotel man from Northern New York, accompanied by his wife, has arrived. Miss Bertie Ash, of New Hampshire, came with them.

John R. Ergood has a stock of everything needed for the table, from the first course to the last, and for dessert as fine a variety and quality of French confectionery equal to any to be found in the State.

Guava jelly, of splendid color and flavor, in fact, as beautiful as we ever saw, made by Mrs. W. S. Lane, on Lake Virginia, is for sale by John R. Ergood. He has contracted for all she has made this season.

Mr. and Miss Hopwood, as was expected, arrived on Friday. They were accompanied by Gen. Swinhoe and son, Mr. Howard, Mr. Pruen, Mr. Chichester and Mr. Conyngham, all from England, and they are stopping at Mr. A. Hopwood's.

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T. L. Acosta was here on the 18th.

Mr. Richard Klemm called on the 18th.

Mr. Maxson's house is progressing nicely.

Dr. Hooker was greeted by a large audience on the 25th.

Our colored school of 20 pupils is going nicely under the charge of E. M. Mills.

Mr. De Waal, of Orlando, took some lovely views of Winter Park, on the 21st inst.

Twenty-seven people got off at Winter Park from the Sanford train on the 20th.

Miss Morton, principal of the training department of Rollin's College, came on the 22d.

Messrs. Chase, Forbes and Judge Welborne were nicely entertained at

#### Church Services.

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The flag pole for the Seminole has arrived.

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MARY ANDERSON it is claimed, "having never loved," cannot act "Juliet" with the perfection of little Margeret Mather, the new Kentucky star.

We made a mistake the other day in saying that Mr. Hopwood's father had arrived. He was expected yesterday in company with others, a party of five.

Dr. W. H. Turpin, of Washington, D. C., a friend of John R. Ergood, is here prospecting with the intention of making a Southern Winter home for himself and his family.

W. E. Forbes, who will take charge of the Seminole, will leave New York on Sunday to come and look over the ground and make arrangements for the approaching season.

James Hill, of New York, is a late acquisition O'Connell Bros. & Co. have added to their force of painters. It is novel to see him beat the pool players, using only one hand.

John R. Ergood, our Winter Park merchant finds his sales of New York Orange creamery butter increasing so rapidly that he is compelled to double his weekly shipments. Our Northern visitors say it makes them think of "Home, Sweet Home."

George Nicoll left here for Kissimmee yesterday. His force of plasterers, the largest probably in the State, is rapidly progressing with the work on the Semi-

#### Winter Park—A Pleasant Day.

Accepting the polite invitation of Judge J. F. Welborne, to join a small party of gentlemen on a visit to Winter Park, we were promptly on hand at the depot Friday morning, for departure at 9 o'clock, as were Mr. Fay S. Phelps, the popular Cashier of the Lyman Bank of this city, and Mr. J. E. Ludden, an able lawyer and genial gentleman of New York City. It was understood either that Judge Welborne would come in from Winter Park on the early morning train and return with us at 9 o'clock; or else, that he would await our arrival at Winter Park. As to either, however, we were all disappointed, for, on Judge Welborne's arrival here, he found that inexorable business demands would detain him all day. With the two gentlemen above named, we boarded the train at 10:30 o'clock, its departure having been delayed until that hour by the detention of the morning boat, and in less than an hour we were at Winter Park, where we were met and cordially welcomed by the ubiquitous, indefatigable and suave Mr. L. A. Chase, whose fertile brain gave birth to the conception of Winter Park, destined to be, as a winter resort "what Long Branch and Saratoga are for the summer." Without delay, we were soon whirling along the beautiful Avenue connecting Lakes Osceola and Killarny, behind a handsome team, skillfully handled by Mr. Chase, in a westerly direction, towards Hannibal Square, an excellent location, on the outskirts of the town, selected by Mr. Chase, for exclusive occupancy by the colored people. A rule adopted by the proprietors of Winter Park, is that no lot shall be owned by a colored person who does not, within a reasonable period, erect a residence thereon; the object being thereby, and by reasonable rates for the lots, to invite a sufficiency of that class of population to meet the necessary demands for menial labor, and at the same time to prevent an influx of the idle and vicious. Having done Hannibal Square, a name, as remarked by one of the gentlemen of our



party, "classically appropriate and correctly classical," we retraced our steps to the depot, and proceeding thence in a northeasterly direction, passed between Lakes Osceola and Maitland, and around the east and south side of Osceola, between Osceola and Virginia, back to the Grand Winter Park Hotel, now in process of erection.

It is not our purpose to attempt a description of Winter Park, nor to indulge in the details of anything we saw. So much has been said of Winter Park, its beauties and attractions by the casual writer as well as the more elaborate and precise descriptions for advertising purposes, that comment on these themes at this time would be out of place. We only propose a cursory record of the events of a pleasantly spent day, together with some allusion to the improvements now going on and others in contemplation at this delightful place.

In our trip around Lake Osceola we crossed the canal connecting Osceola and Maitland, as also that between Virginia and Osceola. These canals are now small, but it is the purpose of the Company to dredge them to a sufficient depth to admit of the passage of small steam yachts for the use of the guests of Winter Park Hotel. These will be purchased in New York and brought out this fall. Our trip around the east side of Osceola, took us past a number of beautiful homes and groves, and through a portion of the village of Osceola. We passed very near the lovely home of Mr. Wilson Phelps, not far from Col. E. B. Livingston's, and just in sight, across sparkling little Sylyan Lake, of No Man's Land, the sacred and unapproachable (by horrid man) domain of two accomplished maiden ladies, Misses McClure and Brown. Capt. Mizell's charming home could not be seen. As we passed the sweetly embowered residence of Dr. Geer, just on the brow of a somewhat abrupt declivity to the shore of Lake Mizell, Mr. Ludden exclaimed, "Oh, what a beautiful lawn!" following the exclamation with an allusion to the report of a friend of his who had visited Florida and left it in disgust, saying, "the whole State wasn't worth a 'dried apple,' as there were no lawns, no cows, and no milk in it."

Arrived at the vast pile of brick, lumber, lathes and mortar, fast assuming the comeliness characteristic of the handiwork of Messrs. McGuire & McDonald, contractors, of one of the largest and most elegant of the hotels in this State of hotels, we were soon dodging around after our guide, Mr. Chase, through its rooms, offices and parlors, up its temporary stairways and along its corridors, while awaiting that "camp dinner" about which so much had been said, and for which our delightful ride and cheerful converse had given us such keen appetites. How long we would have been thus engaged we cannot tell, had not Mr. W. E. Forbes, the accommodating Superintendent of the gastronomic department of the vast work now in progress, and who is to be the manager of the Winter Park when completed, arrested us in our mad career, and invited us to dinner.

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Nature has been lavish of her gifts, in granting a location second to none in the State. Its lands are high, dry and commanding. Its lakes numerous and enchanting. Its houses, the homes of taste, elegance, refinement and culture. Nature has done much, but the arts of men have very perceptibly enhanced, adorned and beautified the commanding eminences and the banks of the lovely lakes.

It is a rare exemplification of what forethought, judgment, and business tact, united with capital, can and will do for the promotion and development of the material, social and hygienic conditions of a place and community. The Winter Park Company have made a new departure in the establishment and founding of this town. It is to be, as they say, pre-eminently a residence town. Its articles of incorporation provide and jealously guard against the invasion of the vices incident to towns and cities. "No saloons or gambling houses will ever find a lodgment here." While all the suburban virtues, and the simplicity and refining influences of a chaste educated and moral people, be with and rest over the people like a "sweet benediction," it will have the greatest of blessings—health. Its elevation and removal from miasmatic and malarial influences, and the pure sweet water from the bowels of the earth, and the bracing and invigorating breezes wafted from ocean to gulf, and laden with the ozone of its pine-clad knolls, insure this. The large and spacious lots on which homes are built, foster it. The intelligence and correct sanitary ideas of its people maintain it. Every thing connected with the place is so conceived, that all things shall work together for each others good.

That the Company, and its inhabitants mean that it shall be the seat of education, is attested by the liberality with which they have endowed Rollins College—securing its location against the combined competition of the State.

Temporary quarters have been secured for school purposes, until permanent buildings, now being erected are made ready for occupancy. The aim of this institution of learning, shall be to meet all the manifold educational wants of South Florida. It will maintain a training school for teachers, efficient ones being sadly needed. An Industrial Department—a Preparatory Department—and a Collegiate School—all of which we trust will meet that home encouragement, to which it is so eminently entitled.

Messrs. Chase and McDonald have returned.

J. C. Arnout, of Orlando, writes asking us if any one in Winter Park wishes the services of his stump puller.

We spoke of Mr. Rose's 5 pound baby; we should have said 11 pounds. It is Mr. James Hurd who is the happy father of a fine 5 pound daughter.

C. H. Plummer, veterinary surgeon, has lately brought through successfully a horse with an acute attack of sore throat, and also another with sanded foot, with satisfactory results.

Dr. Hooker, President of Rollins College, writes that he will leave Boston on the Savannah steamer on the 15th, and that seventeen persons will accompany him, all of whom will locate at Winter Park.

That earnest, intelligent worker, Rev. S. F. Gale, dropped in on us on the 29th for a few minutes. He reports everything lovely, especially as regards Rollins College, which, he says, is getting up a great deal of enthusiasm all over the State, and will be well attended. Miss Clara L. Guild and Mr. Robert A. French are some of the late recruits for students. Rev. E. P. Hooker has had the desks shipped from Boston, and will be here about the 15th inst. to put on the finishing touches that will start the school off in good shape on November 4th.

On Wednesday evening, at the residence of the bride's uncle, the mystic words that united the lives of Mr. Solomon P. Butler and Miss Fannie McKinzee were spoken by His Honor, Judge J. C. Stovin, in a very fitting and feeling manner. Mr. Butler was one of the first to aid in the work of building the Seminole, and has ever since been one of the best men in his line—that of carpenter—on the building. He is a native of Georgia. The fair bride is from Tallahassee. Quite a number of guests were in attendance, among whom were Mrs. Judge Mizell and daughters, Mr. Burt Clark and family, Mr. R. R. Thayer and family, Mr. E. K. Pierce, Mr. Walter Girard, Mr. John Long, Mr. Loring A. Chase, and several more of the neighbors and friends. From Orlando came Miss Ora Daniels and Miss Annie McKinzee, whose lovely appearance and social qualities made many warm friends for them here. Mr. McLaulin and his estimable wife were the hosts of the evening, and did all in their power to make it a pleasant and happy occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Butler have the best wishes of their many friends in Winter Park.

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Messrs. Rogers and Paige, of the magnificent Kaaterskill House, in the Catskill Mountains, in New York, were here on the 28th. They were very much pleased with Winter Park. Mr. Rogers bought a lot and will erect a nice cottage here soon.

Mrs. Andrew Richmond arrived at her Winter Park residence on the 3d having had a very long, tedious trip from Chicago, on account of the washouts in the vicinity of Waveross. Gen. A. G. French and son came on the 1st, and were also much detained from the same cause.

The work of casing and plastering the Semincle is going forward rapidly. I know of no neater finish for a house than a pretty, hard white plaster and natural pine with hard oil finish, and if any one doubts it let him take a look at some of the finished rooms in the Seminole and be convinced. "Seeing is believing."

P. A. Demens was here on the 1st making a settlement for the lumber for the Seminole used in September. Any one knowing Mr. Demens will know that the lumber checked up satisfactorily, and in getting out and shipping us about a million feet in three months there has hardly been a hitch or an error. He certainly is the "King Bee" among saw-mill men.

Mr. J. A. McGuire returned from his trip to New York on the 29th ult., where he purchased the machinery, etc., for the Seminole. Nearly all of his purchases have arrived, and are being rapidly placed. He certainly is a good judge of the needs of a hotel, as all that anybody can think of for the comfort and convenience of guests were purchased by him, and not a thing forgotten.



We found Mr. McDonald, though "busy as a bee," directing and controlling the 125 hands under his charge, as polite as a Chesterfield and as communicative as a "commercial tourist." From him we learned that one wing of the hotel, the working department, and embracing quarters for the help, storage department, etc., is covered and nearly plastered throughout. Four stories of the main building, with connecting section (the large and airy dining room) are up three-fourths of its entire length, the entire framing to be completed in a very few days. The lathing in this wing will begin next week, and immediately thereafter the plastering. Mr. McDonald, as we have intimated, gives personal superintendence to the work, having under him two foremen, Charley Nungesser, well known in Sanford and elsewhere as a first-class builder, and Mr. J. J. McDonald, brother of one of the contractors. The masonry is superintended by Mr. S. R. Smith, who has long been with McGuire & McDonald, he having done like work on the Magnolia, the Sanford and the San Marco. W. A. Stafford, of Sanford, a skilled tinner, is doing the roofing. Mr. McGuire is now North, purchasing the elevator, gas machine, gas and steam pipes and fixtures, plumbing stock, paints and oils, sash doors and blinds, and all other material and fixtures that must of necessity be purchased North. He will also purchase while there the steam yachts to be used on the lakes for the guests of the hotel. The entire work is progressing satisfactorily and Mr. McDonald assured us that the house would be ready by the opening of the ensuing season.

A detailed description of this immense building, constructed in the highest style of the mechanical art, both as to thoroughness of work and convenience of arrangement, we reserve until its completion.

Through the courtesy of Superintendent Swoope, of the S. F. R. R., in response to a telegram from Mr. Phelps, we were permitted to return to Sanford on the afternoon freight, a highly esteemed favor since, owing to the witching charms of Winter Park, we had dallied beyond the hour of the regular passenger train. To Mr. Weatherly, the accommodating and efficient conductor of the "freight," the party return unanimous and hearty thanks.

Mr. Scharringhausen is teaching a night school in Hannibal Square. He has a large, successful school and with a great deal to do at his trade—watchmaking—is about the busiest man in the Park.

There is a petition in circulation here for the removal of our postmaster. The town is all "tore up" and the telegraph operator sleeps with his finger on the key ready at any moment to call out the "Milish." The riots in Haymarket square, the Cutting case, the Fisheries question, and "who struck Billy Patterson," sink into insignificance, compared to this.

The Winter Park Company has received instructions to prepare a place for a large fire pump that is now under way. It will be placed by Supt. Rollins and when ready will be able to reach all parts of the hotel and grounds on very short notice. The capacity of the pump, etc., is great enough to supply the town, college, etc., with water, and mains will be laid when necessary.

Rollins College will open Oct. 5th, with a full faculty. Dr. Hooker is now in correspondence with some first-class teachers who will probably be here on the opening day and who will add some new and valuable studies to the list. As he is in receipt of a great many applications from people who wish to enter school here, it is necessary for all who are coming to apply at once so that ample accommodations can be ready for their reception. I have heard of students coming from Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, etc.

O. E. Chapman and his family are expected November 1st.

Julius Diamond, of Tallahassee, has bought the Dziatynski grove near Winter Park.

We know of no place that the colored people are prospering more than at Winter Park.

Miss Clara Guild and the son of Major Marks both enter the training school of Rollins college.

The plank walk on the south side of the railroad improves the looks of everything on that side of the town.

Buy sample copies of the News and send them to every one interested in Winter Park, wherever they may be.

Mr. R. F. Chamberlain, of Orlando, called at the Winter Park agency, on Saturday and subscribed for the DAILY NEWS.

Quite a number of visitors from Orlando and other points were over to look at the Seminole Hotel, Sunday, and all were equally surprised at the magnificent scale on which everything is being prepared.

Mr. J. H. Smith came over from Orlando on Saturday, to sell twenty-four, eight year old, bearing orange trees which he is offering at four dollars apiece including transplanting. Here is a bargain for some one.

Joseph Nobles came here from Boston two years ago, and has since that time followed the painting and carpenter business here, and is a Mexican war veteran. He is expecting to bring his family on from Massachusetts in a short time.

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Mr. LeMay accompanied by his wife and two children have rented deacon Larrabee's house and moved in on the 19th. They have come to stay, and we give them a hearty welcome.

Rev. Smith and an artist were here on the 19th taking views of the college grounds previous to an extended trip through the north.

Our large smoke-stack was begun on the 19th; it is going to be a monster and will take about 50,000 bricks.

One of the standards, on a car of lumber broke on the 20th, and the train sowed lumber all the way from Longwood here. If half of it comes up there will be a good crop.

Mr. Geo. W. Godfrey, of Rochester, N. Y., dropped in on us on the 21st very unexpectedly; he is going to remain only about two weeks, but we understand is going to start some nice improvements and have them ready when he comes again in the fall.

Mr. Geo. Fernald spent the 21st with us.

Mr. Barney Reynolds, the boss painter on the Seminole, arrived on the 21st, and painting will now go forward in dead earnest.

Geo. F. Miner, editor and proprietor of the Semi-Tropical, the flourishing paper of Eustis, called on the 22nd, and looked over the Seminole and Winter Park generally.

Mr. F. H. McKinney, one of the carpenters on the hotel, left on the 15th for a visit to his old home in Boston. He has been in Florida one year, and has lost less than one day from sickness. He is half owner of the hotel at Winter Haven.

We have been having quite an ice famine for the past week, owing to the machinery in the Orlando ice factory breaking. We think they ought to place their orders with some other factory so as to protect their regular customers from loss and inconvenience during the time they are disabled.

Mr. Hugh MacCullum, a graduate of Edinburgh, Scotland, and a lawyer of high standing, has just arrived from Edinburgh with his family and taken possession of the place on Sylvan Lake, a part of Misses Brown and McCluris' place, and will engage in the real estate and loan business with an office in New Hampshire block.

Mr. Chase has received a few Rollins College pamphlets, which he will send on application. From letters received from the North, it is certain that the college will open November 4th with a full corps of able professors, and the low rate given by the South Florida Railroad will insure a great many pupils from the start.

Mr. Chas. L. Chabot, a native of Canada, but lately from Jamaica Plains, Mass., with Mr. Alexander Earl, a native of Maine, but for the past ten years on the police force, have bought a beautiful ten-acre piece of land from Mr. Wilson Phelps, and have bought a beautiful business lot on West Park avenue, where they will build a shop at once and work at their trades, respectively blacksmith and machinist. Their families, Mrs. Chabot and one child, and Mrs. Earl and three children, will soon follow them. We are heartily glad they have decided to locate here, for there is plenty of their kind of work that now has to go either to Orlando or Sanford to be done.

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Dinner over, we resumed our seats in the rockaway and were taken by Mr. Chase to the matchless site of Rollins College. We can conceive of no spot more lovely and more elegantly adapted to the purpose for which it has been set apart. Already the grounds are being prepared, and as soon as Messrs. McGuire & McDonald shall have so far advanced the heavy work on the hotel as to enable them to do so, they will begin work on the College Chapel and Dormitories. From Mr. Chase we learn that the Chapel and two dormitories, one for girls and one for boys, costing in the aggregate about \$25,000, will be completed in time for the opening of the fall session of the College. The main building will be erected during next year. Of the munificence of the projectors of this Institution, destined to become one of the grand features in the system of Southern education, we will not now speak. In due time, the grand work they have undertaken will commend itself to the people North and South, and win for its philanthropic projectors the gratitude of thousands yet unborn. Leaving the lovely site of Rollins College, and after a brief visit of inspection to the charming home of Judge Welborne, we proceed to the elegant office of Mr. Chase, in the New Hampshire Block. Here we spent an hour "waiting 'till the clouds rolled by," and then "took a sail" on Lake Osceola with Mr. Capen, the accommodating and accomplished book-keeper of the Winter Park Company as oarsman, Mr. Chase remaining at his office to meet the many business calls that had accumulated during his attendance upon his guests. The sail ended, ye scribe returned to the hotel building to learn from the contractors something more than he had thus far been able to gather



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The Maitland event just now is the marriage of her popular young townsman, G. T. Stith, to the young and charming Miss Karins of Carrollton, Ky. He led his fair prize to the altar at the residence of the bride's parents at 7 a. m. on the 6th. inst. and started immediately for his Florida home at this place. They reached Maitland on the 9th inst. and met with a warm reception from the groom's many personal friends. The boys waited till "the wee hours of night" and then gathering together all the fiddles, guitars, flutes, koozoos, and other musical and non-musical instruments they could find, gave the happy couple one of those rare and rich serenades that only such occasions can merit. The wily Stith has always done well, but never so well as now. He looks better, feels better, and is better than he ever was before. Nor is he thus without a cause. A pure, sweet and charming bride is the richest treasure of earth. There is not a heart in all Maitland that does not beat a responsive welcome to the bride of Taylor Stith. May the bridegroom and the lovely bride ever be as happy as now.

Mrs. Woodward of N. Y. returned on the 16th inst. to her beautiful home on that commanding site, once owned by C. C. Beasley, at the head of Lake Maitland. We are always glad to chronicle the return of the good Mrs. Woodward. It also affords us great pleasure to know that her accomplished and fascinating grand daughter, Miss Barrow, has returned with her to again spend the winter with us. To Mrs Woodward, we are again indebted for the presence, for a few days, of her distinguished son-in-law, Mr Barrow of N. Y. an own cousin of the late Chas. Dickens, and one who shares in no meager degree the polish and talents of that distinguished English author. The writer had the pleasure of showing Mr. Barrow and his lovely daughter a few of the magnificent orange groves and beautiful sites in this immediate vicinity, and to know that he takes with him on his return to N. Y., the highest opinion of the merits of this section.

#### Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida.

This institution will open November 4th, 1885, with the following faculty of instructors:

Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., President.  
N. Barrows, A. M., M. D., Professor of Mathematics and Physics.

Rev. Frank S. Child, Professor of Eloquence and of English and American Literature.

William W. Lloyd, A. B., Professor of Ancient Languages, and Principal of Training Department for Teachers.

Miss Louise M. Abbott, Assistant Principal of Training Department for Teachers, and Leader of Grammar and Primary Grades.

Knowles' Hall and one of the cottages are now in progress of erection, and it is hoped they will be ready for occupancy on January 1st, 1886. Meanwhile suitable temporary accommodations are being provided by the trustees, and the work of the College will begin as above stated.

Prof. Barrows will be at the office of the Sinclair Real Estate Agency on Friday and Saturday of this week and next, between the hours of 12 and 1, and 3 and 5, where he will be happy to see parents and others interested in education, and give them such other information as they may require.

G. A. Rollins, brother of the liberal donor, A. W., and after whom the college is named, is superintending the construction of Knowles Hall, and the cottages for the occupancy of the boys and girls.

Mr. Ford, late of Orlando, has made a beautiful home just south of Knowles Hall, and overlooking the sparkling waters of Lake Virginia. He has chosen Winter Park as a place of residence to enable him to take advantage of its excellent school facilities.

McGinnis & McDonald are the architects and builders of the Grand Seminole, as they have been of the beautiful Magnolia, on the banks of the St. Johns river, and the spacious and improving San Marco, at St. Augustine; and will be of the Jumbo Caravansory, the 150 room Ponce DeLeon Hotel at the same place, and which will occupy the former site of the Sunnyside. The grounds cost over \$100,000, while the building will reach half a million. They stand at the head of their profession. Fifty men are employed on the Seminole. They are lodged and fed in the building, in rear and adjoining the main building. Skilled mechanics get from \$2.50 to \$4.00. Board and lodging \$5 per week.

W. A. Smith, is the efficient steward, though young in years, is old in experience. He fills the bill to a T.

S. F. Davis, is to be chief engineer of the Seminole.

Mr. Orgood will have built, just north of his place of business, two commodious houses, for commercial purposes, on first floor, while the second story will be constructed so as to serve the purposes of a town hall and skating rink.

Mr. Knowles is having a ten acre lot substantially enclosed, broken up, and prepared for orange tree planting; on which also a number of handsome cottages will be built.

Charlie Williams has just completed fully fertilizing with cotton seed meal and otherwise caring for the company's trees, and they look as fresh and pretty as a charming girl speaking her piece on "Spring" on commencement day. Judge Welborne, Mr. Chase and Mr. Bachelor joined the large train load of people for Bartow on the 16th. Mr. Lamson is clerking for Mr. Ergood, who leaves this week for Washington, D. C., and who is very lucky to be able to leave his large interests in as careful hands as Messrs. Davies and Lamson. Dr. Henkel gives a word of advice that we think it would be well to heed. He says that our dry wells with wooden walls are sure, sooner or later, to bring typhoid and malarial fevers and agues, and advises either driven wells or else to thoroughly brick and cement our dry wells. Rev. Fitzhugh, who represents a large wood working concern at Ridgeland, called on the 18th. He may perhaps conduct the Episcopalian services here in the near future. Mr. Abbott has about finished laying off Mr. Holden's addition to Winter Park. It is the Roney place, just west of the railroad track. Dr. Haskell spent the night of the 16th with his particular friend Chase. Ollie avenue is being opened to Lake Virginia. A letter received from Mr. Peckham speaks of his having a fine time at New Port. Mr. C. V. McKinley brought several bushels of white and black Hamburg grapes to the office last week. They were large, luscious bunches, and showed what Florida soil would do in that line. Mr. Weeks, of Sinclair & Mills' office, called Sunday 19th. The first beds in the Seminole were put up on the 18th, and occupied by the help. We need a blacksmith and harness shop.

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SOME back mail, that was delayed by the storm got along yesterday morning.

A QUANTITY of baggage was put off here yesterday morning, which signifies that some body is coming.

We call attention to the advertisement of Renbin Crodell. Mr. C. came here from Greensborough, Ga., two years ago and has been very successful in attending to orange groves and is now running a wagon line throughout the town and will promptly attend to anything in the hauling line.

Mr. John R. Ergood is converting the old town hall into a furniture warehouse, a stair way has been placed leading from his store to the town hall, and the entire hall filled with furniture of every description, and if there is anything in the furniture line, wanted that is not in stock it will be ordered. As far as prices are concerned, Sanford and Orlando rates will be given.

The Winter Park drug store's soda fountain is at work all the time.

It is Chabot & Earl (not Shoback) who are commencing the blacksmith business.

Gen'l S. G. French, who has a fine residence on Lake Virginia, arrived for the season yesterday. The General is accompanied by his son.

P. A. Deman of Longwood's steam saw mill, said mill having furnished the immense amount of lumber needed for the Seminole, was over yesterday for his September check.

Frank B. Bacon comes over from Orlando every day to instruct the Winter Park brass band.

Wilks, McMillan & Company are ready to deliver at Winter Park any kind or quantity of seasoned lumber needed for building purposes.

Messrs. L. A. Chase and J. A. McDonald have gone to St. Augustine and will be the guests of J. A. McGuire, of the Ponce De Leon during their stay there.

Rev. H. J. Walker will preach at the Congregational Church to-day. It is proposed that those interested in establishing a Sunday school here will turn out in sufficient numbers to make it a success.

Jas. G. Griffith, in the carpenter business at the Seminole, came to Winter Park last February. Mr. Griffith has applied for a patent for a binder for orange boxes and as soon as he gets it his advertisement will appear in the DAILY NEWS.

When your Winter Park manager received a letter from President Ingraham he thought on opening it, that he would find wedding cards, but instead, it proved to be the finest railroad circular he had ever seen, announcing the completion of the Pemberton Ferry branch of the South Florida Railroad, and an invitation to himself and lady to visit the new Havana route which is doing such a large business.

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KNOWLES HALL, the first of the Rollins College buildings at Winter Park, is nearly enclosed and the work is being pushed rapidly. The second building has been commenced, and it is the intention of the trustees to have at least one of these buildings completed and ready for occupancy by the first of January. At the rate at which the work is progressing there is good reason to believe that it will be ready before that time. Possibly the two may be completed then. For the present, quarters have been secured in the second story of Mr. White's build-

shipped immediately and the hotel will be in readiness to open January 1st, sure.

Our English friends are coming in by the dozen. We are glad to have them, they are a sociable, energetic set of people, and are doing a great deal to boom Orange county, and especially our locality.

# IN'S COLLEGE,

WINTER PARK, FLA.

This institution will open November 4th, 1885, with the following faculty of Instructors:

Rev. E. P. HOOKER, D. D., President.

N. BARROWS, A. M., M. D., Professor of Mathematics and Physics.

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Knowles' Hall and one of the cottages are now in process of erection, and it is hoped they will be ready for occupancy on Jan. 1st, 1886. Meanwhile suitable temporary accommodations are being provided by the trustees, and the work of the College will begin as above stated.

Prof. Barrows will be at the office of the Sinclair Real Estate Agency on Friday and Saturday of this week and next, between the hours of 12 and 1, and 3 and 5, where he will be happy to see parents and others interested in education, and give them such other information as they may require.

## Winter Park Notes.

WINTER PARK, November 2d.

Pay day on the 2d.

Prof. Lloyd boards at the Seminole.

Mr. Maxson's new house is progressing finely.

Mr. Mahlon Gore made us a pleasant call on the 31st.

Mr. Birnbaum and family took a look at Winter Park on the 1st.

Judge Lawrence dined with Mr. Chase at the Seminole on the 1st.

Professors Barrows and Austin occupy the Moses property for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cady have taken rooms at Mrs. Lamson's for the winter.

Deacon Larrabee arrived home from a short visit to his old Boston home last week.

Mr. Diffenderfer will proceed to build a house on his beautiful five acre lot at once.

Miss Abbott is boarding for the present at Mrs. Lamson's and rooming at J. S. Capen's.

A forty-room boarding house is among the probabilities of the near future—thus do we boom.

Rev. T. Clippinger, of Orlando, representing the Church of God of North America, called last week.

Messrs. Welborne & Chase went to Jacksonville on the 30th on business connected with the Winter Park Co.

Messrs. Chabot & Earl have their house on West Park avenue ready for occupancy and expect their folks soon.

Dr. H. Hemingway, of Longwood, called on the 28th. Dr. Haskell, Treasurer of the S.F.R.R. was here on the 1st.

Mr. R.R. Thayer will erect a nice shop on his lot on West Park avenue at once, to accommodate his increasing business as contractor and builder.

Mrs. L. W. Capen, accompanied by Mrs. H. J. Hyde and Miss Hattie Hyde, arrived on the 31st, from Blooming, Illinois. They will spend the winter here.

Mr. F. W. Lyman left Minneapolis for Clifton Springs, New York, on the 1st, where he will join his wife and they will come to Winter Park to spend the winter, arriving here about November 20th.

W. E. Forbes, manager of The Seminole, is in New York completing arrangements for furniture.

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November 3.

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School to-morrow.

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We will have a jewelry and watch repair shop here at once.

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Rollins' cottage, "Lochmede," is all fitted up as a dormitory for the students until cottage No. 1 is completed.

Knowles' Hall shows up nicely on the hill. Mr. Rollins is rushing it and it will soon be ready for occupation.

The Lake Shore promenade is under way; it will be lovely and very much used, especially on moonlight nights.

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Do you know [of anyone who will come here and build some

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We are looking for the daily Argus and know it will be a success, if managed with the same skill and energy that the weekly has been.

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## Rollins College Opened Successfully.

Special to the TIMES-UNION.]

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S. F. GALE.

Misses Guild & Capen will open an art school in New Hampshire block this week. They are both competent teachers. Miss Guild of painting, drawing, &c., and Miss Capen of music, and they will do well.

The great number of red roofs here draw forth from one of our learned friends from Boston, the remark that "indications pointed to an attempt on the part of some of our residents to incarnadine the municipality."

Wish we had an incorporation here so that somebody would have authority to keep cattle off the streets.

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Now, since these facts are so patent, we do not see how it is that land agents and other persons engaged in booming some particular section should so persistently ignore them and lie so consumedly concerning their plants and plots. Here, for instance, are the proprietors of the new Seminole hotel at Winter Park. They are ready for business and have issued a flaming circular setting forth the attractions of their house and describing their locality. This is all well enough in so far as they do not malign their neighbors. But this paragraph is reprehensible in the highest degree, because it is untrue:

"There are two Floridas, the Highlands and Lowlands,—the one, well drained, dry, and healthy; the other, damp, malarious, and unhealthy. The Lowlands, as a rule, are found along the banks of the rivers; and until recently, they have been the only Florida seen by the tourist. But, since the advent of the railroad penetrating the interior, a new Florida has been opened up; and it is fittingly named 'The Highlands.' Until within a short time the regulation trip of the visitor to Florida has been to Jacksonville and St. Augustine; then a trip up the sluggish St. John's, the banks of which, for the most part, are low and marshy, relieved here and there by a few high and beautiful spots; never once leaving the river, and returning North without seeing the high and beautiful ridge of the interior, that forms a Divide, or water-shed, of the State, upon the crest of which Winter Park is located. Having seen only the desolate and almost worthless lands through which he passes in reaching Jacksonville and St. Augustine, and the low, marshy banks of the St. John's, the average tourist returned to his Northern home disgusted with Florida, and believing that all the talk about its wonderful beauties and resources was one grand humbug."

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U. Higginbottom, President of National Bank of Oneida, New York, says "It was also a fact strongly impressed upon me while at Winter Park that no malarious influences were in sight." 85

The pumps were started at the Seminole on the 14th, and after filling the boilers the large tanks in the Mansard were filled. Everything worked nicely, and we now have ample protection from fire.

By Our "Yankee Dutchman."

M. C. and Earnest Holden, who are the lords of creation in and around the crystal waters of beautiful Lake Killarney, two miles west of this place, were made happy last week by the arrival of their sisters, and the presence of *pater familias*, and dear old grand-mother from Maine. Their domestic cares and anxieties will now cease, as their sisters will be the presiding graces of their household, and do the honors of their new home which is rapidly assuming proportions and nearing completion; while the father will see that every thing around the house is kept in order. The grand-mother will shed the blessed radiance of her benign countenance over the home of her grandson, Dan, brother to M. C. and E.

The family of David A. Morrison, in the same neighborhood, after an absence of six months, has just returned and taken possession of his pleasant place.

J. G. Mangold, the scenic and landscape photographer of Palatka, was in town last week taking large sized photos of the Seminole Hotel, and adding to his collection some thirty other scenes around this attractive and beautiful spot.

The hotel car track, leading from the railroad depot to the immense hotel building has been of incalculable assistance in conveying supplies, as the cars are simply switched off, and either pushed by man power, or drawn by horses to the grounds and building and unloaded where needed. This track will be utilized when the hotel is opened to transport passengers baggage, supplies, etc.

Dr. Hooker, President of Winter Park College, says the outlook for a good attendance of students during

#### Pencilings from the Park.

C. L. S. C.

We wave, Chautauquans!

A lad's amang ye takin' notes!

The REPORTER is on sale at the drug store.

There is a "press-gang" in New Hampshire block.

Is bell-ringing an elevating profession, Professor —?

The first of a series of notable events: Rollins College opened November 4th.

Mr. R. R. Thayer's new building looms up well at the southwest corner of the Park.

The carpenters are sheathing Mr. E. L. Maxson's new house on Webster avenue.

Winter Park has a Noble carpenter, an Earl, a Smith and an orange growing Lord.

On our streets about this time, the most familiar greeting is, "Good morning, Professor!"

Mr. Diffenderfer has erected the frame of his new residence on Orlando avenue, near Dr. M. A. Henkel's.

The Winter Park conservatory of music and art is open, and Misses Capen and Guild are busy with pupils.

We have one ground of sympathy with our neighbors—the nuisance of cattle roaming about the streets.

Fires were started under the boilers at the Seminole for the first time on the 7th. Everything worked to a charm.

Apropos of the late election: Reuben

Pay day on the 16th at the Seminole.

Mr. Carpenter, of the S. F. R. R., was here last week.

Mrs. Sarah Burke, of Sanford, was the Rogers' House last week.

Rollins College now numbers seventy-six and is growing every day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Foster were guests at the Hotel de Rogers the past week.

Prof. L. A. Butterfield, of Boston, spent several days of the past week here.

Hon. H. H. Rand, of Washington, D. C., was at the Rogers House last week.

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That view of "Paying Off" is very good, and has been quite extensively purchased by those whose pictures appear.

Mr R. R. Thayer's new building is looming up finely, as is also Mr. Ergood's. We are bound to boom, nothing can stop us.

I hope to see a great deal of interest taken in the South Florida Exposition. It is a splendid way to show people what we can do.

The stirring, business-like agent of Webb's Directory called on the 14th. It is a pleasure to meet with as prompt and pleasant an agent.

Mr. F. W. Lyman, President of the Winter Park Company, and of the corporation of Rollins' College, will be here Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. J. W. Cook, with her children Agnes and John L., and Mrs. Seward, all of Normal, Ill., arrived on the 12th, and are boarding at Mrs. Lamson's.

#### Happenings at the Highlands.

To church! to school! to pray! to spell!  
At early morn and each hour as well.  
Rings out that dreadful, dreadful bell!  
In the Professor's hands its doleful knell,  
In the Deacon's care its glad some swell,  
To each listener's ear their stories tell—  
That deafening, distracting bell!

Are you going home to Thanksgiving?  
"See Jayell" protests that he has not seen jail.

Capen and Co. are in the gobbling business. 11-19-85

Mrs. Sarah Burke is soon to build a cottage near the church.

Capen and Co., will sell you a fine gobbler for Thanksgiving.

Our C. C. (California Cracker) says these are "fine large days."

Mr. Benton, of Chicago, has been searching for a location this week.

F. W. Lyman, Esq., and family are expected in a few days, from Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. D. A. Beckwith has purchased lots in the rear of the church and is clearing them.

The perfect stationery goods at the drug store are meeting with a deserved success.

Mr. L. A. Chase went to Jacksonville on the 10th and returned with Mrs. Cook and party.

J. P. Cameron, Esq., a prominent publisher of Chicago, is visiting Mr. Huntington.

"Slippery Ellen Bark" was one of the items of the memorandum of a Winter Park shopper.



Winter Park Nov 1st '85

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I think I wrote you that we got up steam - everything worked splendidly - the pumping arrangements are perfect and it did me good to see the water go from Lake Osceola to the top of the Seminole - and the laundry machinery is in capital running order and speaking of laundry reminds me to say that we have one that cannot be beaten; it extends under the entire kitchen wing which utilized space which otherwise would have been useless.

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Yours of 9th covering Fairbanks draft for \$500 just received. I also received today \$2,000 from Mr. Knowles, the second check for \$2,000 is undoubtedly lost. This makes \$4,000 in all received from Mr. K (Knowles) on a/c of Knowles Hall. I do not wonder at your disappointment about the work on the cottage for it is a great pity that it is not done and pupils in it, but of course we could not do much without funds to pay the workmen and for the materials and the semimonthly statements I have sent you have shown you just how much cash I have had to the credit of Rollins College. The last one showed about \$1,100 due the Winter Park Co. The Supt. of the College Buildings does as he pleases and I aid him in every possible way but have deemed it no part of my business to do anything but suggest which I have done quite freely; with \$10,000 ready on call it is a great shame that both buildings are not now very near completion; have had to figure

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Am delighted to know that 2 weeks from today you will be here.

Let me know what day you will be in if you can.

Have not heard from King.

Can't get more in.

Hastily yours,

L.A. Chase



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The whole school is now at Winter Hall  
Am delighted to know that 2 weeks from today  
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"Knicker Knave"

Nov 26th '85

Mr. Chace

City Winter Park Co.

Dear Sir -

We the undersigned - Employees  
on College Work, do render a  
Vote of thanks to you for your  
elaborate entertainment to us on  
our Thanksgiving. And wishing  
you further every success which  
you richly deserve in your  
gigantic undertaking - namely  
the "Seminal"

Very Truly

A. H. Sweet

A. S. Wilson

C. Latham

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J. T. Galvin, J. E. Ludden and J. E. Hinds, all of New York, registered at the Rogers House last week.

Winter Park is indebted to U. S. Senator Call for a visit to this place on the 15th. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter.

Owing to the great amount of work falling on the Faculty of Rollins College, and the rapidly increasing scholarship two more professors are added to the list.

Miss Hatch arrived with her mother on Monday and will take charge of the Art Department at the College.

Hon. H. H. Rand, of Washington, D. C., was entertained at the Rogers House last Friday.

Mrs. Chas. H. Legg, Mr. Frank W. Legg, Mrs. Earnest Legg and Mrs. H. M. Call arrived last Friday from Cambridge, Mass. Mr. Legg is a photographer and will engage in that profession here. They are relatives of Mrs. Guild and will board at the Guild House on Osceola.

Mr. W. F. Paige, the efficient manager of the elegant Catskills Hotel in the Catskills, that mammoth house which ranks among the finest on the Hudson River, will assist Mr. Forbes in the management of the "Seminole." We are delighted with the choice.

A sociable was held at the church on Thursday night Nov. 19th.

The services last Sunday were preaching in the morning by the pastor, Rev. E. P. Hooker, and preaching in the evening by Rev. H. J. Walker, Methodist.

Mrs. J. W. Cook, of Normal, Ill., arrived on the 15th with her two children; they are boarding at Mrs. Lamson's, and rooming at Mr. J. S. Capens.

Guests remaining over Sunday are impressed by the degree of refined wealth and culture assembled among the large congregation at the church.

A male choir will be a pleasing feature at the Methodist service Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Hatch, mother of the artist, is to be matron of one of the boarding cottages connected with the college.

Dr. W. H. Turpin, of Washington, D. C., who has been stopping at the Park for two or three weeks has purchased land at Wilcox.

Mr. Otis Thayer, of Chicopee Falls, Mass., arrived on Saturday and will spend the winter with his son, Mr. R. R. Thayer, one of our most well known and estimable citizens.

Mr. Chase of Holyoke, who called on us a few days since has returned, and bought a lot on West Park Avenue, where he will erect a house.

"Gin a body meet a body comin' thro' the grove"—mum's the word.

Mr. J. C. Annan registered at the Rogers' House last week.

Mr. John R. Ergood is postmaster, and we rejoice to know that the matter is officially decided. Nothing has been more needed and we trust there will be a great improvement in the whole system.

Some one standing on the porch of

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We celebrated Thanksgiving in a quiet and pleasant manner that was very enjoyable. Services were held in the church and Dr. Hooker preached a very instructive sermon on the subject of ancient festivals and holidays, drawing useful lessons for our times. At the Seminole elaborate preparations were made for supper and all the men, with several from the Rollins College force, sat down to a repast prepared by Manager Smith, as the beautiful strains of music from Winter Park Cornet Band were borne to the feasters from an adjoining room. It was a sight long to be remembered, and recalled to many of us far-away homes where similar scenes of feasting and merry-making were being enacted by the dear friends we are so far separated from. After supper we all adjourned to the large room to be used as the serving room and were entertained by good music from the band, very pretty dancing by Messrs. Geo. Mariner, E. D. Lucas, and Howell Lovett, and some very funny dancing by Mr. James Merritt, who, though uninstructed in the art, would do credit to a good minstrel troupe. Speeches were made by Messrs. Chase, McDonald, Wallace, Love and others, and the company adjourned after heartily thanking the Winter Park Co. for a most enjoyable occasion.

Nov. 30. NEPAC.

Mr. Knowles' ten acre lot, including some of the best land in town, is being put in fine condition by Hon. H. S. Chubb. Transverse streets divide it into six blocks, each of which is fenced with red posts and galvanized wire. On each of the lots, oranges and other fruits will be planted, and the whole plot made so attractive that sales will be made at sight.

Rev. Prof. L. A. Austin, formerly of Middlebury College, Vermont, and a college classmate and personal friend of Rev. Dr. Hooker's, preached a very interesting sermon at church last Sunday morning. The service was largely attended. Notice was given that new pews would be in position next Sunday—an accommodation greatly needed, for numbers of people have been obliged to leave for want of seating facilities. The choir assisted in the services for the first time this season. A praise service was held in the evening, and notice was given of the change in the night of the regular, weekly prayer meeting from Thursday to Wednesday. Thursday evening the first sociable of the season will be held at the church.

Rollins College is doing a good rollin' business these days. The roll of pupils is daily lengthening; new instructors are being added, and many difficulties incident to the foundation of such an institution are being surmounted. Prof. L. A. Austin has joined Prof. Lloyd in the department of Languages. Miss Hatch has arrived and will assume the duties of the new position of teacher of painting. Prof. A. B. Cheney, formerly of Dorset, Vt., will teach music, and another teacher for the primary department is expected immediately. The pupils numbered on the 16th instant seventy-six. Improved accommodations have been secured by the completion of the rooms in White's building, and the removal of all the schools thither, where they will probably remain until Knowles Hall is ready for occupancy. The college is rolling up hill rapidly.

"SEE JAYELL."

O. E. CHAPMAN, one of the founders of Winter Park, who has been spending the summer at the North is expected back to Florida in about a month. He can well afford to indulge in a little pride over the glorious results which have followed his early endeavors in that place.

WINTER PARK claims the champion lather of the State. Mr. Chase claims that he can nail on more lath in a day, waste less, and make less fuss about his performances than any other man in the business. He did nearly all of the lathing on the Seminole, which was no small job.

THE Seminole Hotel at Winter Park will be lighted with gas. The machinery is being put in, and pipes are laid through the house. If an isolated hotel can be economically lighted with gas, what is the reason the same plan, only on a larger scale, cannot be advantageously employed in a town like Orlando?

ONE of the prettiest lots in Winter Park is owned by R. M. Pulsifer, of the Boston Herald. He has a thrifty young orange grove upon it, and in a few years will have a Florida home of rare attractions to which he can come and take a good refreshing rest and at the same time escape the rigors of the New England winter.

ONE of the novelties for the entertainment of guests at the new hotel, now contemplated by L. A. Chase, of Winter Park, is a camp of wild Indians upon the banks of one of the lakes near town. Such a camp would be very interesting to the Eastern people who visit Florida, and guests at the hotel would find the novelties of wild Indian life especially attractive. The Indian camp would draw like a side show.

STEAM engines are being put in order, and steam pipes placed in the new Seminole Hotel at Winter Park, preparatory to heating the house by steam. With hot and cold water, gas and steam, the hotel will be lacking in none of the improvements which can in any way contribute to the comfort of guests. The steam will also be employed in the laundry and to run the elevator.

TWO steam yachts to ply on the lakes at Winter Park have been purchased by the company and are now en route to Florida. One will be placed on Lake Osceola and the other on Virginia, so that guests and visitors can have a choice of routes. A more charming ride than

O. E. Chapman and his family are expected November 1st.

Julius Diamond, of Tallahassee, has bought the Dziatynski grove near Winter Park.

We know of no place that the colored people are prospering more than at Winter Park.

Miss Clara Guild and the son of Major Marks both enter the training school of Rollins college.

The plank walk on the south side of the railroad improves the looks of everything on that side of the town.

Buy sample copies of the News and send them to every one interested in Winter Park, wherever they may be.

Mr. R. F. Chamberlain, of Orlando, called at the Winter Park agency, on Saturday and subscribed for the DAILY NEWS.

Quite a number of visitors from Orlando and other points were over to look at the Seminole Hotel, Sunday, and all were equally surprised at the magnificent scale on which everything is being prepared.

Mr. J. H. Smith came over from Orlando on Saturday, to sell twenty-four, eight year old, bearing orange trees which he is offering at four dollars apiece including transplanting. Here is a bargain for some one.

**Handsome.**

Major L. A. Chase, the energetic and stirring Secretary of the Winter Park Company, was in the city Monday, and of course visited headquarters, THE ARGUS office. They have just issued a handsome folder, with a fine bird's-eye view of Winter Park. It will well repay perusal, and our readers North who desire a nice thing would write Mr. C. for a copy.

Mr. Lord brought us some fine lettuce this week, fresh from the gardens of Hon. Lewis Lawrence. It was deliciously tender and crisp.

We are pleased to see among us again the genial face of Dr. S. H. Bassinger, who with his wife and grandson, Master Welbourne, arrived on the 3d.

Rev. Mr. Braswell called on us a few days ago. He is busily engaged in arranging for the Methodist camp meeting, which begins this week near Lake Howell, and continues several days.

By the courtesy of the Congregational church, the use of their audience room is granted to the Methodists Sunday afternoons, until the latter can secure other accommodations. Rev. Henry J. Walker preached there last Sunday afternoon, and next Sunday there will be a praise service at three o'clock.

Rollins College, successful as it is at its opening, and great as its prospects are for the future, does not satisfy the ambition of our residents. The Chautauqua University, the wonderfully popular college of the people, must also be represented here. On Friday evening last, several ladies and gentlemen met at the residence of Mrs. J. A. Ergood to organize a local circle of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, for the purpose of mutual assistance in prosecuting their studies during the winter. Representatives of several classes were present, but definite arrangements were postponed until another meeting, to be held this week. Winter residents will find this course of reading a welcome addition to the list of occupations which may engage their attention and claim their time during the season. In the C.L.S.C. alone there are now more than one hundred thousand students, located in all parts of the world, and the many other schools of the university are correspondingly well patronized.

We haven't heard much lately of the proposed recreation ground. It is certainly needed, especially since the collegians must have a campus. Base ball, cricket, foot ball and the various out-door sports should be encouraged that the young men may develop physically as well as mentally. We are particularly anxious to see our English friends enjoying their favorite game of cricket, bowling over the stumps, hitting their legs before their wickets to the delight of the keeper and the maidens who slip by mid on and off among the crickets and cut over on short (sometimes long) stops with the byes on bats who point to the scores and pipe their pleasure under cover. Then perhaps some wouldn't object to a game of tennis.

The end for which so many have been diligently laboring the last six months—the opening of Rollins College—was reached on the 4th instant. For several days previous, persons who purposed attending the college had been arriving, imparting an unwonted air of activity to our streets. A typical Florida day, with sunny skies, and a mild temperature favored the occasion. At the ringing of the bell of the village church, the audi-

Some part of the work on the Seminole is finished up every day. I suppose a builder can see lots to do yet, but to the eye of an outsider it begins to look almost complete.

Don't this cool weather feel fine? I don't know of anything more like our northern homes than a cheerful fire and a bowl of popcorn on these cool and delightful evenings.

We feel as though the eyes of the whole country will be on us to-morrow, but we are confident that all plans will work well and that we are going to have the school of the South.

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Rollins' College is becoming quite a noted institution. One by one her good points are brought out, and almost every day I hear some new excellence. One day it is "Isn't Prof. Lloyd a splendid teacher?" Next, "I am just dead in love with Miss Abbott." Then, "I really do believe that Dr. Barrows can figure out the most perplexing problems quicker than any man I ever saw," and this is said by a man who is pretty good at figures himself. Then, "Isn't Miss Morton bright and entertaining?" Or, "Dr. Hooker evidently understood his business when he selected the Faculty." Prof. Cheney and Miss Hatch also come in for their full share of the praise, and if their ears don't burn frequently, then there is nothing in signs; but now something new has come up, and I can't understand nor explain it. Was Prof. Lloyd singing some enchanting melody? Was Miss Hatch telling of some beautiful piece of painting or statuary? Was Miss Morton relating some of her most interesting experiences? Could they have been charmed by the tones of Miss Abbott's voice? Or was Miss Hatch the cause of seven beautiful trout leaving their native element and engaging accommodations in their gondola, only to be ruthlessly stabbed to the heart-r-r-r-t, (trill this) and served up before breakfast the next morning? I give it up; it was an unheard-of freak for any well-behaved fishes to engage in, and there's no accounting for it.

Bills by the bushel, and each one a yard long, tell us that the furniture for the hotel is to occupy our attention for the next few minutes.

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#### WINTER PARK.

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and her mother visited Mrs. Alcott on the 30th. Mr. Payne is a prominent railroad man from Illinois.

Mrs. C. M. Capen went to meet Mr. C. at Jacksonville on the 30th. From there they go to St. Augustine for a few days and then back here to spend the winter.

The prospects are that we will have an extension put on the Congregational church before the winter is over, as it is full every Sunday now, before the arrival of guests has set in at all.

The steam yachts have arrived and were given a trial on the 28th.

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Dr. King Wyly and Mr. J. K. Munnerlin, of Savannah, called on the 7th and inspected the Seminole. They were highly pleased.

Judge Welborne writes that he will be home on the 12th.

Messrs. White and Lane, with their families, are expected this week.

Allow me to apologize to the boys of our band for not noticing their lovely serenade in your last issue. They serenaded at the Seminole and under the windows of "yours truly," and one cannot help being surprised at the rapid progress they have made. Keep it up, boys, and be assured that if you progress as rapidly in the next two months as you have in the past two, you needn't take a back seat for any band in this neighborhood.

Mrs. L. W. Capen, Mrs. Seymour and Miss Louise Capen, Mrs. J. H. Abbott and Child, Mrs. W. O. Cady and Mrs. Cook and family will leave for North on the 28th for Winter Park.

Our band has progressed so well with their instruments that they begin to want to come out on dress parade, but owing to a lack of uniforms did not feel that they could do the subject justice. This was a dilemma that they had not yet made up their minds just how to get around when Hon. Lewis Lawrence, with his usual liberality, stepped forward and put down \$50 as a beginning, and with this good start they have succeeded in arranging for nice uniforms. How much better it is to build our monuments as we go, and by kind acts and thoughtful deeds have thousands to tell from thankful hearts of our good deeds, rather than have it carved on castle marble tombs. Mr. Lawrence, by his many kind, thoughtful acts, has endeared himself to our people in a way not soon to be forgotten.

ence room was well filled with students, instructors and friends of the institution. A hymn was sung in opening, after which Rev. Dr. Hooker offered prayer and made a few brief remarks. Rev. S. F. Gale, of Jacksonville, secretary and treasurer of the general Congregational Association of Florida, followed with an interesting address. An unexpectedly large number of students is in attendance, including three in the Freshman class, three in the Normal class, twenty in the Preparatory Department and forty in the Training School, a total of sixty-six, and more are being added daily. In view of the limited accommodations, the situation must be extremely gratifying to the projectors of the institution. The faculty are all on hand and are busily engaged in getting the schools into working order. Their roll is as follows: Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., President; N. Barrows, M. D., Professor of Mathematics and Physics; Rev. Frank S. Child, Professor of English and American Literature and of Elocution; Prof. W. W. Lloyd, A. B., Professor of Ancient Languages and Principal of Preparatory Department; Miss Annie W. Morton, Principal of Training Department; Miss Louise M. Abbott, Assistant Principal of Training Department. Accommodations are temporarily furnished by several cottages and the church. Soon the halls over White's store will be ready and some of the recitation rooms will be located there until some of the college buildings now in process of erection are completed.

SEE JAYELL.

#### Slips from the Suburbs.

Did you see ice last Wednesday?

The thermometer declined perilously Christmas in three weeks.

near the freezing point last week.

Mr. C. M. Capen will spend the next two months in Winter Park.

The unusual quiet about the village last week is probably the calm indicating the early approach of a storm cloud of visitors.

Rev. Mr. Tomlinson, Congregational pastor at Longwood, was at the Park last week. We understand that his society contemplate building similar to the Winter Park church.

Mr. Vincent Harke, son of the Episcopal clergyman in England, has just placed himself under the tuition of Mr. H. S. Chubb to receive thorough instruction in the orange growing business.

Rev. Dr. Sweet and wife, of Chicago, parents of Mrs. Switzer, are at Winter Park for the season.

You may make your subscriptions for any magazine, weekly, etc., at club rates, at the Winter Park drug store.

An ounce of "paregoric" was asked for the other day. The young man didn't want "tally" but paregoric.

Bundles of books for Mr. Bartlett betoken business for the Chautauquans.

The frame of the second building for the use of the collegians is up and being boarded. It will be the ladies dormitory.

A fine variety of views about town have been received of Magnold of Palatka, and are now on sale at Ladd's.

Mr. Moore, of Palatka, has a daughter in the city who will soon locate

steam yachts, of which we heard so much of the last summer, arrived on the 25th, and have already had their trial trips.

Mr. Rose will very much improve the appearance of the neighborhood of the depot by the enlargement of his residence on the Boulevard. Mr. Chabot is contributing to the same end by painting his new house.

F. W. Lyman, Esq., President of the Winter Park Co. and of the corporation of Rollins College, arrived with his family on the 26th.

On Thanksgiving Day services appropriate to the day were held in the Congregational church. Dr. Hooker's able and appropriate address was listened to by a large congregation. Church attendance continues to increase, and by the time the Methodists get ready for their services, there will be enough people for both.

Rev. H. J. Walker will preach at the church next Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. A male choir will probably add interest to the service.

Mr. Abbott is sure there will be no more butting among the abutters, and is staking every lot in town in a very systematic and thorough manner with neat white stakes.

Charlie Shine was over yesterday.

To-day is the pay day of the Winter Park Company.

Adam Schafer, carpenter at the Seminole came here from Sanford on the 9th of June.

Chas. McCarty, carpenter at the Seminole came to Winter Park June last from Norwich, Conn.

Lawrence J. Brannan carpenter at the Seminole came to Winter Park two weeks ago from Savannah.

J. L. McLaulin who is in the carpenter business on the Seminole came to Winter Park in June and is a native Floridian.

S. J. Davis who is putting in the gas machine and steam boilers at the Seminole came here from Boston three months ago.



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Mr. N. H. Grady, of Ormsby, Knox & Grady of Orlando, was here on the 28th.

Mr. Currier, of the Saratoga Star, spent a few days of the past week at Winter Park.

The Misses Bush are visiting Dr. and Mrs. Bassinger at the residence of J. T. Welborne.

Mr. Stovin has his dairy in good shape and is prepared to furnish plenty of fresh milk this winter.

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I am delighted to have our good Mr. Lyman here once more and we hold frequent consultation upon the business in hand and his satisfaction over what I have done during the summer is a great pleasure to me I assure you and I hope that when you come you will be as well pleased. Never man tried harder than I



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Sincerely yours  
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CHANGE OF REFERENCE.  
On the 2d of July 1871 the Committee on Pensions was informed that the Committee on the Public Land and the Company bill relating to the (1208) granting of land to James O. Hall and the bill of the military reward of William Burke - that the same was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

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## Winter Park.

FACTS AND FANCIES FROM A FROSTED FOREIGNER.

Winter Park has been making a raid on Orlando for stoves. We begin to think our beautiful Park rightly named, and that we can rival any other place, frosty weather being something new in our list of attractions.

Mr. O. E. Chapman and family arrived on the 3d, and will spend the winter as usual. One by one the beautiful residences along the lake front of Osceola are being filled for the season, Dr. Fantum's being now the only one vacant.

One of the principal topics of conversation about town is the great contest in Atlanta on the question of prohibition. Where previously the whole subject has been sneered at or ridiculed and dismissed with a few words, it now occupies a prominent place in debate. The prohibition leaven is gradually but surely working, even in our little community, and it has several earnest advocates already.

On the invitation of Messrs. Fell and Davidson, several of our residents will visit Narcoossee on the occasion of the opening of the new steamboat route.

Mrs. C. S. Clark and Mrs. C. H. Ladd arrived on Thursday last on their annual visit to Winter Park.

Rev. Mr. Walker preached for the Methodist society on Sunday afternoon. The membership of the church was increased by one. Mr. Otis Thayer, of Chicopee, Falls, Mass., giving in his letter.

A vote of thanks should be passed by the citizens to whoever is responsible for the removing from our streets of the miserable specimen of the equine race which has haunted us for months past. We shall long remember the familiar form as he stood, with his apology for a harness, constructed of wire and rope, in the smoke of a bonfire vainly endeavoring to get a little warmth into his half-fed body. As he went from town with his tall rider, we hoped—but alas! in vain.

The Seminole is the Mecca of many sight-seers about this time.

We are pleased to record the convalescence of Mr. Morton, who has been seriously ill during the last week.

Orlando will profit by Winter Park's loss in the removal from us of Dr. Cecil H. Plummer, the popular and successful young veterinary surgeon. It must almost be a pleasure to be a horse and a sick one at that, to be attended by such a competent and amiable young gentleman. We can imagine the animal sighing for the power of speech that he might say at least, "Thank you, Dr. Plummer!"

We have been too busy for visiting lately, but when we have leisure must accept the invitation of our friend, Jno. Carville Stovin, Esq. We hear that he has just erected new buildings for his dairy, which are the envy of his neighbors.

Dr. M. A. Henkel brought in last week loads of fine turnips and radishes, proving his great skill in market gardening, as well as in his profession.

Among Mr. Chubb's guests is Mr. McKean, a young gentleman from London, England, who is supposed to be investigating the mysteries of the science of orange culture with that Solomon of the business, Mr. H. S. C.

F. S. W. Gleason, of Denver, Col., has been at the Rogers House for several days. Like every one else, the more he sees of the place the better he likes it.

Mr. Vincent Harke was in town last Saturday.

At Judge Lawrence's fine garden, Mr. Lord has green peas, string beans, lettuce, turnips, radishes and almost anything in the line of fresh vegetables that

one can desire. Did we hear some one say this was no country for market gardening?

The new pews are all in the Congregational church. The discomfort caused by the cold, and absence of a fire, more than offset the pleasure afforded by the increased accommodations for seating. Dr. Hooker announced the suspension of the usual Sunday evening service.

Among the arrivals at the Rogers House the past week were J. K. Boies, of Hunston, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wilhelm, of Jersey City, N. J.; Mrs. H. Jennings, of Liberty, N. J.; and A. S. Ward, of St. Louis, Mo.

We narrowly escaped a bloody tragedy the other night, though very fortunately it developed into an amusing comedy. In the solemn stillness of the silent night we were aroused from our slumbers by mysterious sounds. The rushing of forms, which we supposed to be scantily clad, the tread of slippered feet, the suppressed consultations near our door indicated that something was "on the carpet." In vain we puzzled our brains to imagine what was the trouble. The whisperings were too indistinct to give us any clue. The cold was too great for any amount of curiosity to draw us from our comfortable couch, so we determined to wait for developments. After much waiting we heard familiar voices expressing opinions pretty strongly: "I don't see how any of you could sleep!" "It sounds like a bear!" "It looks like an alligator!" "It is like

some kind of an animal eight feet long, with a long tail!" "It breathes like a year old heifer!" Windows were lifted and closed again, and we heard the preparations for self defence. Guns were brought and propositions made that a fire be built and a watch set that the animal might not escape. Consideration of this plan proved it not feasible, and preparations for an advance were made. It seemed that a large black form had taken possession of the front porch of our villa, and by its hideous noises prevented the family from sleeping. It was after much deliberation, decided to open the front door suddenly and by a surprise frighten the animal into a hasty flight. The door was opened and up the stairs came the excited exclamations: "Why it's a man! it's a man!" "Shoot, Dan, shoot!" "Shoot, Dan, shoot!" "Oh, let him go!" "Dan, why don't you shoot?" "What do you want here anyway?" By the time the man who had selected the front porch of Dakin's domicile for a cot, and the door mat for a pillow, had got round the corner of the house, Dan's gun went off; the door was shut, and with the consoling remark that "That fellow was pretty well scared and wouldn't trouble us again" the disturbed sleepers returned to their repose and the threatened tragedy was averted.

SEE JAYELL.

## WINTER PARK ITEMS.

The COURIER was an agreeable surprise to us on last Saturday, although it has been long looked for. Now since its arrival it should have what it deserves, a good support.

Rollins College is a grand success. The present number of students is eighty-two.

Mr. Norton who has been very ill is now upon the road to recovery and we hope in a few days to see him in his place of business enjoying his usual health.

Mr. Thayer's new building on West Park Avenue is completed and is occupied by Mr. Lama and family.

Tenement houses are in great demand, and a good boarding house would pay handsomely.

The Rogers House is doing a good business.

The new lock boxes in the Post Office are quite an improvement. Many thanks to our polite and accommodating Post Master. The next is a money order department.

The new City Hall is rapidly approaching completion. When finished it will be the largest and most attractive building in the business part of our city. Mr. J. W. Spittler, the contractor, deserves much credit and all those who have houses to build and want them on short notice will find it to their interest to have him do the work.

Mr. Rose has just completed the new addition to his handsome little cottage.

Mr. Robt. Redditt and Messrs. John and Abr. Hunter recently took a camp hunt of four days and brought home sixteen Deer. Don't know how many they would have killed if it had been a good time for hunting and the ammunition had not run out.

F. R. W. Gleason, Denver, Col.; J. H. Livingston, Orlando, Fla.; J. T. McMurray, Orlando, Fla.; G. A. Wilhelm and wife, Jersey City, N. J.; Mrs. H. Jennings, Liberty, N. Y.; A. S. Ward, St. Louis, Mo., are registered at the popular Rogers House.

W. F. Pings, manager, with Mr. Forbs, of the Seminole, will be here about the 20th.

Col. Peckham starts for here the 13th. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Capen, Miss Ladd and Mrs. Clark arrived on the 5th. O. E. Chapman and family came on the 3rd. Col. Beal and family came last week.

Miss Hall, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., one of the College Faculty, came on the 3rd. Mr. Joshua Chase on the 7th. FRIL.

## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Josh Chase of Sanford was here on the 7th.

Col. Beal and wife returned for the winter last week.

Mr. Rose is building quite an addition to his cottage.

Mr. O. E. Chapman and family arrived on the 3d, all well.

Mr. Geo. Fernald, of Sanford, spent the 6th with Mr. Chase.

Mr. LeMay and family have moved into the new Thayer building.

Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Ludd arrived last Saturday to spend the winter.



# Winter Park.

Christmas approaches.

Santa Claus will find hard sledding in this climate. *Rep 12-17-85*

The horse went last week; now his rider has gone, and some folks are happy.

Rev. Dr. P. R. Heard and wife have been at the Rogers House the past week.

Some of the rooms in the Fracker building have been rented.

The combination fence for the Knowles lot arrived on the 14th.

Oranges in small quantities are just beginning to move North from this point.

A meeting of the ladies connected with the Congregational society was held on Monday evening, to make arrangements for the annual Christmas festival. The new skating rink has been secured for the occasion, and a Christmas tree will be provided with all its attendant festivities.

A library association is projected.

Have you read "Sweet Cicily," by Josiah Allen's wife? The newest and freshest story, and bound to make a sensation. "The Uncle Tom's Cabin of the temperance reformation."

The Adams and Westlake oil stoves at the hardware store warm a room at the expense of one cent per hour.

Dr. Hooker's congregations augment in numbers as the season advances. The pews are now all in place, a carpet has been laid on the pulpit platform, matting in the aisles, and some painting done. All of these were needed improvements and are well appreciated.

It looks now as though Mr. Legg would soon be on his feet and ready for business in his specialty of photographs. When ready, his views will be on sale at the drug store.

Mr. James Monroe has just purchased a quantity of land with a bearing grove of Mr. Kedney. *(H. 55)*

The Seminole hotel is to be open for the inspection of the public on New Year's day. Everybody and their relatives are invited, and it will be such an opportunity to inspect this magnificent hostelry as will not be afforded in a long while. The view from the roof is said to be unsurpassed—several lakes, among them Osceola, Virginia, Maitland, Mizell, Sylvan, Berry and Sue being in plain sight.

Mr. Rose, from Indiana, is making preparations to build a cottage near Mr. E. L. Maxson's attractive residence.

On glancing at the new map of the Winter Park Co. it was remarked that there is lots on it.

Mrs. Burke's cottage is under way, and will soon be ready under the active and capable superintendence of Mr. Dufferer.

Near Lake Knowles Mr. Chubb has been fencing several fine five acre lots, which will soon be placed upon the market.

Deacon Larrabee's fine home on the Boulevard is for sale; a trade for some one.

Rev. Mr. Lascar preached an eloquent

## WINTER PARK.

Mr. Legg will open his photograph gallery this week.

Mrs. Robert White, Jr., was the first lady to ride on our street car.

Mr. Isaac W. Skinner, of Waltham, Mass., is here for a few days.

Our street car was taken on its trial trip Saturday—very successful. *12-23-85*

Mr. Beaman, of Chicago, Ills., spent the 20th with his friend Mr. Chase.

Commodore Lester has got the Seminole fleet in good shape for the winter's work.

## WINTER PARK.

Pay day on the 15th, at the Seminole. *12-18-85*

Rev. Dr. Hurd, of Detroit, Mich., is here for a few days.

Mr. M. T. Rose is building a nice house on the north side.

Rev. W. J. Trimble, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was here on the 9th.

Our "hoss car" arrived last Friday and will be kept busy Jan. 1st.

The steam yachts are being put in good shape for their winter's work.

Experienced hands are busy putting down carpets in the Seminole.

Mr. M. D. Seipt, formerly from Philadelphia, but now from Oviedo, called on the 8th.

The deep, resonant bass voice of Mr. Lloyd Donkel is heard in the congregational choir.

Quite a large party spent Saturday evening at Mrs. Guild's. All had a pleasant time.

J. E. Ingraham, President of "The Handsome Narrow Gauge," and S. O. Chase, were here on the 15th.

Mr. Legg is very busy taking views preparatory to opening a nice gallery in Mr. Ergood's new block.

Our accomplished, pleasant veterinary surgeon, Mr. Cecil H. Plummer, is busy alleviating the pains and sufferings of our equine friends.

Five lots sold in one day, on three of which houses are to be built at once, is a pretty good record for so early in the season, we think; don't you?

Mr. Knowles has received the pickets for a fence all around his addition to Winter Park, and my opinion is that when it is put up and painted it will look very pretty.

## Winter Park.

Peace and quietness reign, and the scribe searches almost in vain for local incidents. *12-24-85*

Holiday greetings are in order.

Now suspend near your chimney-side, if you have one, the most attenuated sample of covering for the pedal extremities that you can obtain; possibly Kriss Kringle or one of his dwarfs will find it. Hide your pistol Christmas Eve and don't be alarmed if you hear strange sounds about the house. *12-24-85*

The horse car for "The Seminole" came last week, and on its first trip to the hotel was drawn by a company of enthusiastic workmen, Ben Butler driving, Will. Singleton conducting, and Hon. Lewis Lawrence and L. A. Chase, Esq., proudly occupying the position of

## WINTER PARK.

DEAR ARGUS: The era of surprises seems to have been fully inaugurated in our midst, and the constant look of inquiry on the features of our citizens shows that all are thinking and wondering what next! *12-27-85*

Way back last spring they commenced, and with the successful formation of such a strong company, their determination to build such a magnificent hotel, the street railroad, etc., etc., up to the presentation to Mr. Chase of an elegant cane, surprises have followed each other in such rapid succession that it has been hard to keep track and mention them all.

On Monday evening last Nepac was told that the employees were going to give Mr. McDonald a little surprise on Tuesday evening, and hoped to see a good number of citizens present. The large parlor was packed with people about 7:30 p. m., and Messrs. Lyman, McDonald, Welborne and Chase occupied seats around a table at one end of the room. Mr. Lyman started the ball rolling about eight o'clock, and in a short, pointed, appropriate address, told of the origin of Winter Park, its struggles and successes, and finally closing by expressing the gratitude the Winter Park Company

account of his absence, Judge Welborne received it in his name in a witty speech. The company was then invited to join "in the mazy" for the balance of the evening, and to inspiring strains from Messrs. Lucas and Tieck finished out a most enjoyable evening with a dance.



Well, he was *dazed* and no mistake and the way it happened was this—the force on the Seminole has been almost the same since it was started and all has gone smoothly and pleasantly and some strong friendships have been formed. Fully appreciating the efforts of Mr. Chase to do all he could for their comfort and pleasure, and as a testimonial of their esteem, the employes sent by Mr. McDonald for a beautiful cane, and last Wednesday evening the large parlor was all fixed up, chairs arranged in it and a messenger sent to his room to ask Judge Welborne, who was, by accident, of course, calling, and Mr. Chase to come and give their opinions on some of the parlor decorations; the door opened disclosing to their astonished gaze a room full of ladies and gentlemen and as Mr. Chase walked across the floor, preceded by Judge Welborne, his surprise was so plainly evident that I thought of telling him “don’t be discouraged, you will get a reprieve.” Having taken their seats at the farther end of the room Mr. McDonald, in a neat speech showing that his ability as a builder was not his only accomplishment, introduced Judge Welborne who, in a speech that I don’t believe he has ever bettered much even with a fat fee in prospect, presented the cane. Mr.

Chase’s remarks on receiving it were very appropriate and full of feeling, showing that the surprise was complete and that his feelings were deeply moved by this lovely memento. The surprise did not end here however, for the large double doors were again thrown open and the Winter Park Cornet Band marched in and proceeded to play three or four very pretty selections. Altogether it was a delightful occasion, and most gratifying to all parties concerned. Mr. Chase is also in possession of a neatly executed list of the donors which we are sure he will prize even more than the elegant gift itself.

NEPAC.

Jno. R. Ergood has just opened a new lot of teas, namely: Spring Leaf, Japan, Formosa, Oolong, English Breakfast, and Moyune Gunpowder. These teas are all new and will please the tea drinkers.

Robert White Jr. is expecting an enormous stock of goods of all kinds. He is compelled to buy largely in order to meet the rushing demands. In buying in large quantities he gets the trade discount enabling him to sell at figures that put a smile on all who enter his stores.

Standing upon the roof of the Seminole looking to the south-west one can see the smoke of the Orlando Machine Shops cozily curling above the house tops, glancing slowly to the eastward and all around the horizon, the clear waters of Lakes Sue, Rowena, Virginia, Speir, Berry, Mizell, Sylvan, Osceola, Knowles, Maitland and Killarney sparkle successively before the enchanted eye of the observer. Winter Park is undoubtedly the most charming lake region in the known world.

Dr. John H. McIntyre, Surgeon of the St. Louis and San Francisco R. R., was at Winter Park the 16th.

Arrivals at the Rogers House: C. W. Combe, agent of “The South;” O. F. Brand, Jacksonville; C. W. Harrington, P. Hopson, G. H. Allen, R. W. S. Chamberlayne, Rev. C. W. Arnold, Orlando; Wm. Shapleigh, Boston; Fred. Grasman, Chicago; A. G. Wynkoop, Woodstock, Va. Chas. L. Mark, Fredonia, N. Y.; M. Corse and wife, Picolata; Hon. Wm. N. Emerson, Rochester, N. Y.; C. A. Van Duzen, Cincinnati; W. P. Mounts, Morrow, Ohio.

L. A. Chase, Esq., the famous Secretary of the Winter Park Co., was caned in the parlor of the Hotel Seminole, last Wednesday evening, in the presence of a roomfull of ladies and gentlemen. A more successful affair was never planned. The prospect of the early completion of their work, and the consequent scattering of the employes of the company, with the recurrence of the Christmas season, inspired some one’s brain with the happy thought to present their employer with a souvenir of their connection on the hotel work. Consultation among those interested resulted in the purchase of an elegant gold-mounted ebony walking stick. Secrecy was successfully observed, and the company gathered without a suspicion on the part of the recipient, and one could not have asked a more complete surprise than was seen when, in company with Judge Welborne, Mr. Chase entered the room, and for the first time learned of the purpose of the gathering. Judge Welborne made an eloquent presentation speech, Mr. Chase responded the best he could under the circumstances, the Winter Park Cornet Band serenaded, and a social reunion followed, filling a very enjoyable evening. The cane, an elegant piece of workmanship from Greenleaf & Co., of Jacksonville, is on exhibition at the drug store. If many more people inspect it, that show case will need new hinges.

We hear of other presentations to follow, but at this writing it is hardly safe to write all that the little birds tell us.

Preparations are being actively made for a successful Christmas festival on Christmas night, at the new skating rink. All the country round will probably be there.

Twenty-one present and former residents of Bloomington, Ill., now at Winter Park, dine together at the residence of J. Seymour Capen, on Lake Osceola, on Christmas Day. They take the turkey and Mr. Legg takes them. A merry Christmas to you all, my friends!

Mr. Earl is getting together the materials for a new building between Mr. White’s and the drug store.

SEE JAYELL.

J. W. Neal is back with his old friend J. L. Mott and was here on Saturday with a buggy load of wine which he disposed of rapidly and at good figures.

A. Brayman who came here to work on the Seminole three months ago from Mich. He is only working while he is looking around for a suitable place to invest.

It is Mandling coffee that J. R. Ergood has and the notice that we gave him yesterday made him sell not only a great deal of coffee but caused a run on a good many other articles.

Jas. McGuire brother of Mr. McGuire of McGuire & McDonald, contractors of the Seminole has, owing to his thirty years experience, a fine place on the hotel. Friend Mac came to Winter Park from Benningham, Conn., in June last and leaves for the Ponce De Leon Hotel, at St. Augustine, as soon as he can be spared from the Seminole.

Our steam yachts have not arrived yet, but we are looking for them on every train. When they do come, come to Mr. Editor and we will take you as prettily a trip as you ever took, or set up the Havanas de Orlando, de Maduro.

Mrs. J. W. Cook and two children and Mrs. Seward, all of Normal, Ill., will be here next week. Mrs. C. Agnes and John L. will board at J. S. Capen’s, on Lake Osceola, and Mrs. Seward will board at Mrs. Lamson’s, just across the avenue.

That fearful piece of road running east from the Seminole is finally to be nicely fixed up. Mr. Wilson Phelps has been legally appointed and duly commissioned and with his usual energy he has taken hold of the job, and a person need no more be afraid of his life in going through there.

The lake shore promenade will be started this week. Please tell your young men to get all their poetry about the moon, the lake, dame nature, &c., ready, get a buggy, go after their best girl, drive up here, take the lake shore promenade and if she don’t say yes inside of fifteen minutes, then I’m no authority on the “Art matrimonial.”

Mr. Ergood began the erection of a two-story building on East Park avenue, on the 2d. It is to be 50x70 feet and the first floor is to be occupied by Donkel & Klemmer, as a first class billiard parlor and barber shop. The second story is to be used by the same gentlemen as a skating rink and amusement hall.

From the stock of school books Dr. Hooker has received and is receiving, it is evident that we are going to have a big school, for Dr. H. doesn’t expend money on what is very uncertain. All but one of the Professors are here and they are an enthusiastic, genial party of people. White’s Hall and Rollins Cottage are all ready for opening the school. More buildings can be ready at a day’s notice and there can be no question but what Rollins College will start off on the 4th with every prospect of success. I understand that all arrangements are complete with the South Florida R. R. to run its trains so as to accommodate students.

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#### WINTER PARK.

Rev. S. V. McCorkle called on the 23d.

Major Marks and George Lemoyne called on the 23d.

W. J. Annon, of Jacksonville, was at the Rogers’ House the past week.

Mrs. Sarah Burke has begun the erection of a neat cottage on Welborne avenue.

Judge Welborne and Dr. Hooker both received fine upright pianos the past week.

Miss Agnes Cook has been somewhat sick for a few days. She is much better now.

Four row boats arrived on the 21st, and the steam yachts will follow in a day or so.

Otis Thayer, father of Mr. R. R. Thayer, arrived on the 23d from Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Rumor says we are going to have “a long-felt want,” viz., a newspaper here. Can we wonder at crime?

Robert W. Given, one of Sanford’s best young men, spent several days last week with his intimate friend Mr. Chase.

Rev. Walker held services Sunday afternoon in the church. The prospects for a large and prosperous Methodist church here are good.

Mr. George Fernald put aside the cares of business for a day and, we think, thoroughly enjoyed

Dr. Hooker’s congregation had a delightful sociable at the church on last Thursday evening; music, games and sociability made the

himself, calling on some of our people. Five car-loads of stuff on the track at noon, and three of them unloaded and disposed of by six o’clock, speaks well for the energy of Mr. S. S. Capen.



We the undersigned. Employees of  
the Winter Park Co.

Wish to show our appreciation  
of the generous treatment received from Mr. Grace.  
Thought this method the most simple  
we could devise.

Beneath is a list of the  
promoters of this memento of our gratitude.

	\$		\$
W. F. Singleton.	1.00	R. Redman.	25
C. F. Butler.	1.00	P. Hart.	50
H. F. McKenney.	1.00	W. L. Gerard.	1.00
J. Knaes.	50	A. Stevenson.	25
K. Ware.	25	A. Sandlin.	50
B. Everett.	25	S. Bolin.	25
C. W. Phillower.	1.00	H. Baker.	25
H. Davie.	25	Th. Straughter.	25
C. R. Wilson.	25	B. Sheard.	50
A. Ambrose.	50	L. Moore.	50

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W. J. Ingram.	50	L. J. Beaman.	50
B. Seymour.	50	J. A. Griffith.	25
J. J. Jerseman.	25	J. A. Schafers.	1.00
S. Swanson.	50	Geo. Heath.	50
P. Taylor.	50	Geo. Grant.	50
J. Cooper.	50	Al. Mitchell.	50
A. Ambrose.	50	J. H. Battler.	50
J. Johnson.	50	L. Wallace.	50
J. Farnar.	1.00	A. Bourbon.	1.00
J. S. Brady.	1.00	G. Mapson.	50
A. B. Anderson.	50	J. Washington.	50
A. S. Redman.	50	J. A. Ellingwood.	1.00
E. H. Lucas.	50	A. S. Rogers.	1.00
Wm. C.	50	L. R. Bibber.	50



## WINTER PARK.

### A Reportorial Sketch of the Beautiful Place.

Winter Park indeed! The name implies much that is pleasing to the eye, invigorating to the constitution, and entertaining to the tourist who is searching for a pleasant place to spend the winter. Winter Park is eligibly located, beautifully situated and nicely planned. This lovely place—one of the garden spots of South Florida—is situated on the main line of the South Florida railroad, eighteen miles south of Sanford and five miles north of Orlando, the Orange county capital, on the crest of what is termed the watershed or backbone of Florida. The ground rises gradually from the St. Johns river until Winter Park is reached, this being the highest altitude. The plateau is here 19½ feet above the river, and is made up of rolling land, very rich and fertile. Its high location insures perfect drainage, and no swamps or stagnant water is to be found in the neighborhood.

Winter Park is surrounded by a cluster of beautiful, deep, clear-water lakes, in which the water is clear and pure, and ranging in depth from ten to sixty feet. These lakes are connected by streams with other lakes and their waters finally reach and mingle with the waters of the lovely St. Johns river, eighteen miles distant. The shores rise from the water's edge—some places gradually and other places abruptly—to from five to forty feet, making the lakes very picturesque indeed. Fish of excellent qualities abound in these lakes, and afford great sport to the winter tourist.

But we must return to our subject proper—Winter Park. A letter or postal card addressed to Mr. L. A. Chase, the handsome and agreeable Secretary of the Winter Park Company, will secure circulars which will give all the desired information.

#### WINTER PARK

Is a small but very aristocratic place, but with a brilliant future, into which the resident or tourist can gaze with a complacent and self-satisfied smile, and think of the time when Winter Park was mostly on paper and in the mind's eyes of the energetic company which has brought about its present development and secured for it great advantages over its more slothful neighbors. Winter Park is the seat of

#### ROLLINS COLLEGE,

Which, situated on a commanding eminence overlooking four beautiful lakes, will be a standing monument to Mr. A. W. Rollins, of Chicago, Ill., who headed the endowment with the handsome sum of \$50,000, and from whom the college takes its name. Two buildings are now in course of construction, both of which will be handsome and tasteful. The college term, however, begun Nov. 4th last, with all the faculty present. The different departments are now located in church and cottages, and the pupils, of which there are almost a hundred, are making very satisfactory advancement.

The charter of the college provides for four departments—industrial training for pupils, training for teachers, preparatory and collegiate, and all will be kept up to the highest possible standard of excellence. The management of Rollins College is entrusted to a board of twenty-one trustees, among which appear the names of many Christian gentlemen well-known throughout the country. Full information regarding the college can be obtained by addressing

the President, Rev. E. P. Hooker, at Winter Park.

Here, too, on high ground, between two lovely lakes, is situated

#### THE SEMINOLE,

One of Florida's finest, best appointed and best managed winter resort hotels. Through the kindness of Manager W. E. Forbes, our reporter was shown through the entire house, which is now rapidly nearing completion. The Seminole has 200 rooms, large and well ventilated, many of which are *en suite* and provided with bath-rooms and open fire places. It has a large and centrally located office, ample parlors and a dining-room 42x100 feet, which is the most elegantly finished room in South Florida. The walls and ceiling are snow-white, and the window and door casings are finished in natural woods. The floor is as smooth as an ice pond and a dozen windows make it one of the most cheerful rooms into which we have ever gazed. The long, wide halls furnish ample room to promenade in cool weather, and a piazza 567 feet long and varying in width from 16 to 24 feet will be a constant source of enjoyment to the guests of the house. The house will be heated throughout with steam, will have gas, elevator, electric call bells, fire alarm, water pipes and hose, and fire escapes from every floor. The house will also be provided with a perfect cuisine, barber shop, billiard room, steam laundry and excellent sewerage. The table will be the best in South Florida, and those who know Mr. Forbes can assure you that the house under his management will be nothing but first-class in all its appointments.

There will be rowing and sailing boats and two lively steam yachts on the lakes which will furnish amusement for those who enjoy being on the water. An excellent orchestra has been engaged, and every possible effort will be made to place the Seminole at the head of Florida winter resort hotels and provide comfort convenience and enjoyment for guests.

Our reporter desires, before closing, to thank Mr. W. E. Forbes for his courtesies, and wish for him a prosperous first season at the Seminole, which will open Jan. 1st, 1886. Thanks also to Mr. L. A. Chase for kindnesses shown and enjoyable drives to the most interesting points.

We desire to add right here that the tourist who stops at Winter Park will find a most excellent community and one of the finest hotels in South Florida, and when the opera-house is completed, amusements in that line will be numerous.

Mrs. Prof. J. W. Cook and two children and Mrs. Seward, all of Normal, Illinois, arrived about the 12th.

The morning mail begins to draw a crowd, nowadays—an intimation of the "better days a comin'."

Mr. Frank W. Legg and family, from Boston, arrived on the 10th. Mr. Legg is a photographer and will open a gallery soon.

Hon. Mr. Call, one of Florida's representatives in the United States Senate, honored Winter Park with his presence on the 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Chase, of Holyoke, Mass., were in town on the 14th, visiting Mr. Lamay. They expect to locate in our neighboring settlement of Lakeville.

Photographs of the more attractive views about town will soon be on sale at the drug store. A few samples by Mangold, of Palatka, may now be seen, and others will soon be on sale.

Messrs. G. A. Farnham, of "The American," of Saratoga, New York, and Will E. Wood, of Boston, last season's manager of "The Altamonte" spent the 14th with us. "The Tropical," at Kissimmee, will be under their management this year.

John Brown's soul may be marchin on, but his namesake in the flesh is still with us, and by his brays makes his presence known. Long may Johnny live! He is an institution of the Park and were he to move, no resident could be more missed.

An outrage was perpetrated at the Wilkinson grove last week, when several men (?), said to have been mechanics from here, entered the premises, broke down large branches of trees and stole the fruit. Such conduct should be stopped.

Our builders are all progressing finely with their structures. Mr. Ergood's new skating rink, etc., is up one story and the second is framed. The Fracker block is nearly completed, and Messrs. Thayer, Diffenderfer and Maxson are getting their houses into shape.

J. Carville Stovin, Esq., J.P., expresses milk to Orlando, daily. It is of such excellent quality that friend Harn orders it sealed, fearing that even in this short transit, his measure may be shortened. "Lead us not into temptation."

Mr. C. J. Ladd, at the hardware store, has consulted with several of our leading orange growers, and decided on the most practical nail for orange boxes. Samples have been received and a large order sent to the factory. Nearly all the growers near here will use them.

An additional guaranty of success at the Seminole the coming season is given in the engagement of Mr. W. F. Paige, of the world-renowned Kaaterskill House on the Hudson, to assist Mr. Forbes in this management. No more promising selection could have been made.

Rev. Henry J. Walker will preach at the Congregational church next Sunday, p. m., at three o'clock. The singing will be led by a choir of male voices.

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shadows of the farther shore now coming into full view by the brilliant rays of Luna's fair face. He who has traveled most seas could not fail to be impressed by the beauty of the scene. The moon shining on the just wrinkled surface of the water together with the merry voices of the youthful lads and lassies made a beautiful song; like the "dance of the waves and the moonbeams," which so often charms our senses.

"Tom."



# A SOUTHERN JAUNT.

ALTAMONTE AND WINTER PARK, FLA.

TWO DELIGHTFUL RESORTS ON  
THE SOUTH FLORIDA RAIL-  
ROAD.

A New and Elegant Hotel.

[Special Correspondence.]

WINTER PARK, Fla., Dec. 24, 1885.

The South Florida railroad, between Sanford and Kissimmee, crosses a ridge of land which rises in some places to a height of 90 feet above the level of the St. John's River. The land is well wooded—principally pines—and is more or less "rolling" in its surface. Along the line of the railroad there are a great many clear water lakes, one or more of which can be seen from any point of vantage on the route. One's first impression after crossing this ridge is that he has passed through a section of country possessing particularly strong attractions as a health resort. The land has good natural drainage, lies high and dry, and is fertile when properly cultivated. It is only four years ago since the railroad opened up this ridge of land, and already it has become thickly settled.

Several of the more favored spots along the line of the railroad have become prominent as winter resorts, notably such places as Altamonte, Winter Park, Orlando and Kissimmee.

## ALTAMONTE

is 13 miles to the south of Sanford. Here a company composed of Boston capitalists have purchased a large tract of land, and are improving it to attract both resorters and permanent settlers. Three years ago the company built a small hotel there, the Altamonte, and soon afterwards enlarged it to a building of 73 rooms. This hotel is located between two lakes, and branching from it are a number of drives that lead through a very pleasing country. The proprietor of the Altamonte Hotel this season is F. A. Cofran, who for the past twelve years has kept the Twin Mountain House in the White Mountains. The clerk is George Hayes. The hotel is furnished and fitted in a manner to commend it as a comfortable home. The rooms are attractive, the table fare good, and the service efficient. There is a large vegetable garden on the hotel grounds. Rose trees climb the trellis work along the verandas, and are now in full bloom. For the amusement of guests there is a steam yacht on the lakes, bowling alley, billiard hall and good fishing.

The Wekiva river, a small stream bordered with a luxuriant growth of tropical plants, flows within 3 miles of Altamonte. Two large sulphur springs, each flowing about 10,000 gallons an hour, are located on the banks of this river, near Altamonte. The spring nearest the hotel is called "the Hoosier" (named for its owner, an Indianapolis man, who proposes to build a hotel on his property there). Its fountain forms a splendid bathing pool. The other spring is called "The Rock," because it flows from a cavern in the side of a rock.

A resident of Altamonte informed me that he grew the following fruits on his place there: Orange, lemon, guava, fig, mango, grape, citron, alligator pear, pineapple, Japanese plum and persimmon. I visited Fuller's orange Grove at Altamonte and saw there the heaviest laden trees that have as yet come under my notice.

Five miles to the south of Altamonte is

## WINTER PARK,

a place that is fast coming into notice as an aristocratic resort. The Winter Park company, at this

place, is a live corporation, which has just built and furnished a 200 room hotel there, and will open it to receive guests on January 1. The hotel will be known as "The Seminole." It is the handsomest building in South Florida, and as such deserves extended notice.

The Seminole is built on the crest of the ridge of land above mentioned, its ground site being 92 feet above the St. John's River. On either side and in the rear of it are clear water lakes. The hotel proper fronts west 293½ feet, and is four stories high with basement entirely above ground. The dining room occupies a one-story wing extending back 100 feet from a point near the south end of the main building. The kitchen and laundry are in a two-story and brick basement building which forms an L with the dining room, and runs parallel 145 feet with the main building. Along the front

of the hotel is a 16-foot wide piazza. The roof is ornamental three sections of it being in mansard, and virtually add another story to the hotel. The center mansard rises over the main entrance, which leads into a rotunda 41 by 48 feet in size. A hallway extending north from the rotunda leads to the main parlor, 36 by 48 feet in size, occupying the end front of the building. The dining room, a symmetrical and splendidly lighted apartment, measures 100 feet long by 41 feet wide and 21 feet high. The kitchen and pantry occupy a room 41 by 60 feet in size, and the laundry room also measures 41 by 60 feet. The engine room and boilers are in a brick building detached from the hotel. The roof of the Seminole is 75 feet above ground, and from the top of the center mansard seven lakes are clearly visible and three others show up indistinctly from among the trees. The landscape as seen from this roof is most beautiful, particularly that part of it which shows the orange groves on the hillsides around the lakes. The Seminole is fitted with the best of modern improvements, and its sanitary features and the precautions against fire are admirable. The rooms in the hotel are nearly all in suites, 15 of which have private bath rooms connected. About half the rooms in the hotel have open fireplaces in them. The furniture in the bed rooms was made at Nelson, Matter & Co's. Grand Rapids factory, and is of superior quality. The building is steam heated throughout, is lighted with gas, has hydraulic passenger elevator, has three stairways leading from roof to ground, has 9-foot wide hallways extending in a straight line 293 feet, has a billiard room 36 by 48 feet in the north basement, and a barber shop adjoining it. The kitchen is fitted with a Duparquet & Huot range. The dining room and rotunda floors are of polished hardwood. The help's quarters are over the kitchen and laundry.

The Seminole, as it stands, completely furnished and ready for the opening represents an investment of \$125,000. Its proprietors are the Winter Park Company, of which F. W. Lyman is president, and L. A. Chase, secretary. The gentlemen who will manage the hotel this season are W. E. Forbes, late of the St. James Hotel, Jacksonville, and W. F. Paige, of the Hotel Kaaterskill, Catskill, N. Y. The former will look after the front, and the latter the back part of the house. The waiters and bell boys at the Seminole will be white men brought on from New York. The tables will be supplied from the New York markets, with the exception of the garden vegetables that can be grown in Winter Park. The transient rate at the hotel will be \$4 per day.

Winter Park is less than four years old, but it already has over 100 families residing within a radius of one and a half miles of the railroad station. It can show some very pretty cottages and some fairly good roads. Mr. A. W. Rollins, of Chicago, donated \$50,000 towards a college that is being built at Winter Park and which the Winter Park Company propose to complete at a cost of \$150,000.

The Rogers House, at Winter Park, is a neat \$2.50 per day house with accommodations for about 30 guests.

Letters from other resorts on the line of the South Florida railroad will appear at an early date.

J. W.

Horace N. Brown of Holyoke, Mass., is in town with his friend Mrs. Chase.

Mrs. Sarah Burke has the construction of her cottage on Welbourne Avenue in progress.

Mr. J. E. Porter and wife were in town from Fairmont, Nebraska, looking for a location for a Southern home.

The Episcopalian friends met with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stovin at their home on Thursday night. The party enjoyed a most delightful evening.

The Methodist society is doing well. The services by Rev. Walker on Sunday evening was well attended and letters were presented for membership. Four beautiful row boats arrived Friday morning, and will be placed on Osceola for the benefit of guests at the Seminole.

Nothing speaks more advantageously for a place than the surroundings of its prominent and central buildings.

We invite criticism to our neatly kept parks and yards. Cleanliness, then order, is the rule by which we work.

Mr. Talisferro of Maitland, has bought building lots of Messrs. Capen & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cady entertained a party of friends at dinner at the Seminole on Christmas day, a fine bill of fare was served in faultless style and all present were much pleased with the menu and the fine reception. I want to say right here that whenever Mr. and Mrs. C. wish to repeat the affair, they need have no hesitancy about asking me again, I'll be there.

Commodore Paige was the hero of the place for a short time last week, having, unaided, captured from Lake Osceola the finest specimen of a black bass that had been seen, and that weighed eight and a half pounds. He sorrowfully gave up his laurels a day or so after when Mr. Kedney hooked one weighing twelve pounds—and yet you will find people who will say that there are no fish, excepting canned ones in Florida.

We attended a delightful reception at the Sanford House Christmas Eve, in honor of Alderman Fernald and his bride. Nobody has more or warmer friends in Winter Park than he has and to say that we all wish them joy and happiness in full measure is only mildly expressing our sentiments. We were delightfully entertained at the Sanford House during our stay by Messrs. Lee Ryan and wish to thank them for favors received and kind attention.

What a contrast to the weather at Christmas time the lovely Indian summer weather we are having, is to most of us. We have been used to mufflers and wraps, snow and cold, and the puzzled expression of one of the little ones here only fully explains the thoughts of all of us whose homes were formerly in the north,—to the old, old story of Santa Claus, she remarked that she did not see how he could get here with his sleigh load. He came though, and the happy faces, and merry laughter testify to the fact that snow is not essential for his visits. He came to the little folks here at the dining room of Rollins College and a happier party and pleasanter reception he has never held. In all matters he was ably assisted by Messrs. Lyman, Barrows and others and Mrs. Diffenderfers, Mrs. Lyman, Miss Carning and a large number of enthusiastic ladies. Messrs. Forbes and Paige helped him along nicely with a liberal supply of ice cream and sandwiches and the ladies of Winter Park sent elegant cake and other entables, and the unanimous verdict of old and young was that it was a magnificent success. Perish the man who would with malice afore-thought destroy the beautiful, delightful legend of old Santa Claus.

We are greatly in need of a well-kept private boarding house—also an eating house where transient boarders can feel at home and avail themselves of the best table the country affords and pay for what they get. Surely such an institution would pay well.

We often hear it asked: Where can I get a cottage for the winter, or a suit of rooms? Cannot some enterprising man see it to his advantage to place such accommodations within the reach of the many inquirers?

Don't be afraid to speak your real sentiments, my friend—truth is most honorable.

Mr. Frank Segg, the photographer, lately from Massachusetts, will open his gallery in a portion of Mr. Ergood's new building. We are impatient to know how we look once more on card board.

Messrs. Capen & Co., have purchased another team of mules.

The sociable at the Congregational Church on Thursday night was well attended and all passed a pleasant evening.

Is the beast starved to death or is he in a state of non-recovery from some long standing disease? It is a pitiful sight.

The arrival of two new, upright pianos shows us that all are to enjoy their homes in Winter Park in every detail.

Had you gone to the shore of Osceola on almost any evening of last week, you would have seen two or three row boats gliding along in the moonlight, sometimes hidden by the deep

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Elisha Van Brunt, representing Otis Bros. & Co., of whom the Seminole got its elevator, came on the 19th.

Lots of good looking strangers here the past week; several of them bought building lots, and still the boom goes on.

The beautiful new carriage and team of our genial friend Hon. Lewis Lawrence made its appearance on our streets last week.

Dr. John H. McIntyre, Surgeon of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad, with headquarters at St. Louis, was here on the 16th.

Col. Peckham and his family arrived last Thursday. They are greatly pleased with the improvements here during their absence.

We have M.D.'s, D.D.'s, D.D.S.'s, D.V.S.'s and Ph.D.'s, and if anybody can tell us of any other kind of doctors we will try to get them.

Mr. P. A. Demens presented Mr. McDonald with a beautiful silver water pitcher and goblet, as a token of his appreciation, last week.

If you come down to visit our place don't be afraid to address anybody you meet as Doctor or Professor, for you will hit it right about eleven times out of eight.

The big "blow out" on New Year's day will be a big success as the ladies of Winter Park are to be the reception committee. Special trains will be run on the South Florida, and everything done to show off our magnificent hotel.

We have it from good authority that we are soon to have a neat depot and platform here. Thanks, Mr. Ingraham; it is an improvement that we will all fully appreciate, and that will be a credit to the "Handsone Narrow Gauge."

George Nicoll finished up plastering the Seminole last week in the very best of shape. There were 30,000 yards of it, and it was quickly, neatly and well done, and should the Winter Park Company have any more plastering done Mr. Nicoll will have a chance to figure on it, that's certain.

At the Rogers House last week: C. W. Coumbe, Agent "The South;" O. F. Brand, Jacksonville; C. W. Harrington, P. Hopson, G. H. Allen, R. W. St. Clamberlain and C. W. Arnold, Orlando; William Shapley, Boston; Frank Grasman, Chicago; A. G. Wynkoop, Virginia; Charles L. Mark,

the session is very encouraging; and when the new schedule of the South Florida Railroad goes into effect, which will be about the middle of the month, he has the promise of quite a large attendance from Orlando. The students' seats and desks have arrived and are being put together.

Tuesday of last week being pay day at the hotel, money changed hands freely, and squaring of obligations, and a general cheerfulness of expression were the order of the day.

The brick layers have finished their work on the hotel, the carpenters, all except the finishers, ditto, while the plasterers are making short work of their task.

The Hotel contractors, McGuire & McDonald, have sent quite a company of artisans to St. Augustine, to begin work on the 450 room Ponce DeLeon.

#### "Footprints" from Winter Park. BY "I'LL TELL."

Joy to the Park the school's begun! On the morning of the 4th we were aroused to a consciousness of the reality of Rollins College by the glad peals of the bell as a large number gathered at the church to materialize its commencement. A hymn was sung, after which Dr. Hooker offered a prayer following with a short address; a brief address was also made by Rev. S. F. Gale. A roll was then drawn and about fifty names were placed upon it.

The College derives its name from the worthy gentleman who contributed so largely toward its endowment, Mr. A. W. Rollins, of Chicago.

Mr. F. W. Lyman is president of the College corporation and Dr. Hooker of the Faculty.

It opens with 3 College Freshmen; 3 Normal Students; 20 in College Preparatory Class and 40 in training department.

The faculty are Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., President; N. Barrows, M. D., Prof. of Mathematics and Physics; Rev. Frank S. Child, Prof. of English and American Literature and Elocution; Wm. W. Lloyd, A. B., Prof. of Ancient Languages and Principal of Preparatory Department; Miss Annie W. Morton, Prin. of Training Dept.; Miss Louise M. Abbott, Asst. Prin. of Training Dept.

Our motto is "Forward not backward."

We are informed that a party from Sanford has made arrangements with one of our merchants to set up a watch and jewelry repair bench in one of his windows. It will certainly add to the convenience of our people very much.

Misses Capen & Guild of "The Music and Art School" in New Hampshire Block are highly efficient teachers and their reputation as such is apparent from the rapidly increasing applications.

Dr. Bassinger and wife arrived on the 6th from Sandusky, Ohio, to take up their abode for the winter in their elegant home in this town.

The pupils are coming thick and fast from all directions and should you hear the excessive ringing of the bell you would think our wide-awake

Miss Hale of St. Johnsbury, Vt., came on the 3d. She is a valuable acquisition to the faculty of Rollins College.

Mr. W. F. Paige who, with Mr. W. E. Forbes will manage the Seminole this winter, will be here here about the 20th.

Mr. Chas. T. Morton, whose serious illness so alarmed his many friends here, is much better and will be around again soon.

The Hunter boys and Robt. Redditt killed sixteen deer in four days recently. As a consequence venison is plenty in Winter Park.

Our new postmaster, Mr. Ergood, has put in some very pretty lock boxes, and we will soon probably have a money order office here.

Col. Peckham writes that he will leave St. Louis for Winter Park about the 13th and be here soon thereafter. We shall be glad to see him after his summer's absence.

Among the arrivals at the Rogers House the past week, were J. K. Boies of Hudson, Mich., F. S. W. Gleason of Denver, Col., G. A. Wilhelm and wife of Jersey City, N. J., Mrs. H. Jennings of Liberty, N. J., and A. S. Ward, of St. Louis, Mo.

Twenty-four days from to-day is opening day at the Seminole, and, while there is still a great deal to be done, the work is well in hand and January 1st will see it all ready. Ten car loads of furniture have arrived and Manager Forbes and his assistants are rapidly placing it in position. The electric bells are nearly ready, and the machinery is all in good working order. Mr. Nicoll is putting on the finishing touches on the white coat; the dining room is finished, and in fact all that remains is finishing touches.

About three weeks more will finish up the Seminole, and then when the furniture (now rapidly arriving,) is put in place, this beautiful resort will be thrown open to the public and commence its busy, successful—it can't be any other—career.

Rev. H. Walker preached here on the 5th; he has charge of the interests of the M. E. church of this State and is looking over Winter Park with a view of locating a church of his belief here.

The many friends of Mr. A. W. Rollins will be glad to hear that his stock was fully insured, and that he will lose but little from the disastrous conflagration that destroyed his store in Chicago, and that he and his wife will be among us again about Jan. 1st.

Today is the pay day of the Winter Park Company.

Adam Schafer, carpenter at the Seminole came here from Sanford on the 9th of June.

Chas. McCartney, carpenter at the Seminole came to Winter Park June last from Norwich, Conn.

Lawrence J. Brannan carpenter at the Seminole came to Winter Park two weeks ago from Savannah.

J. L. McLaulin who is in the carpenter business on the Seminole came to Winter Park in June and is a native Floridian.

S. J. Davis who is putting in the gas machine and steam boilers at the Seminole came here from Boston three months ago.

J. D. Argyle now working on the Semi-

Don't forget the opening of the Seminole, New Year's Day. Winter Park will put on its best dress, and give you and your readers a cordial reception. The whole house will be thrown open for inspection, reduced fares will be given on the railroad, there will be a reception committee to wait on the visitors, and an entertainment in the evening.

Our hose? Oh yes! plenty of room there, Santa, a regular blue stocking; nine and one-half (spare the blushes,) an', well—thirty inches long.

A Winter Park coon has a remembrance book.



Mrs. Cook and children are rooming at J. S. Caper's, and he hopes to be able to pay off some old scores that he received while attending the State Normal School, of which Prof. Cook is one of the faculty.

We are all invited to a social at the church next Thursday evening, the 19th, to get acquainted with each other. Come out, Mr. Editor, and we will show you as nice a crowd of people as you ever saw assembled.

Mr. J. J. McDonald, who has been a tireless, faithful worker on the Seminole as foreman of the carpenters, left for St. Augustine during the past week, where he is to be engaged on the monster Ponce de Leon Hotel.

A sociable little company gathered at Rollins' Cottage on the evening of the 14th, to celebrate the 16th birthday of Miss Messeldine. A very enjoyable evening was passed, and "ye scribe" wishes to congratulate Miss M. on reaching "saccharine six and ten."

If the signal officers had seen the Rogers House register last week they would have at once ordered out the storm signals, but it was only the members of the family of that whole-souled Christian worker, Rev. S. F. Gale, who spent a day visiting Rollins' College.

I don't know of any better way to get somebody to build us from a dozen to twenty cottages to rent than keep it before the many, many readers of THE ARGUS. It will pay sure, and would have been done before this but that the Seminole and Rollins' College have kept us all busy the past summer.

One of the busiest men now-a-days is the express agent. The bearing of so much happiness to others makes him something of a philosopher, and he is charmed into good nature by the proverbial contagiousness of the holiday mirth of the recipients of his parcels.

Dr. Hooker will preach his Christmas sermon next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Barnes, of Longwood, who have spent several months with us while Mr. B. was at work for Mr. Thayer, have returned home. They will be much missed by many friends to whom they endeared themselves in their sojourn here.

Mr. Legg has his new views of Winter Park nearly ready for sale. Some are beautiful enough to have a place in any collection, and are not dependent upon local associations for their value. Orders by mail to the Drug Store will secure them.

Prof. Lloyd has been under the weather, and water, too. We hope his wintry bath will not have more serious results than a temporary indisposition. If you must go on the lake, Prof., do go in something that won't tip over, or we shall be obliged to open a regular column of marine mishaps.

Col. Peckham and family, of St. Louis, arrived on the 17th. They will occupy their cottage on Lake Virginia during the season.

Mrs. Burke's house is framed, and will be rapidly pushed to completion.

Praises of the neat fence which F. B. Knowles, Esq., has just placed on the ten-acre lot on Interlachen and Canton avenues, are in everyone's lips. It is

Bishop H. H. Whipple preached at an Episcopal service in the village church Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27th, a simple but very impressive discourse from the double text, "Who is this?" and "What think ye of Christ?" A congregation of considerable size attended. It is proposed to continue the services every second Sunday in the afternoon, alternating with the Methodists. We hear that steps are being taken towards the early erection of a church edifice, and that large subscriptions have already been pledged.

The Fracker estate, a store with rooms above, is advertised for sale.

Strawberries were in blossom for Mr. Lord, at Hon. Lewis Lawrence's garden, on the 23d ult.

W. H. Jewell, Esq., of the Athol, (Mass.) Transcript, has been here prospecting and may locate.

The Christmas tree of the Congregational Sunday School is here regarded almost as a town affair. Everybody is invited and everybody seems desirous of attending. This year was no exception to the rule. It was intended to hold it in the skating rink. That building not being ready, the billiard room of the Seminole was secured and the affair transferred there. All the folks were present, and everything passed off as pleasantly as it should in the commemoration of the bringing of good tidings of peace and good will to men. A tree loaded with bonbons and lighted with candles, stood in the middle of the room. Presents were not sent in and distributed as is frequently done on such occasions. Cake and lemonade were passed to all, and the children received trifles purchased for them. F. W. Lyman and L. A. Chase entertained the children in inimitable fashion, and the next Christmas time will be anxiously looked forward to by many pairs of bright little eyes.

We are glad to learn that efforts are being made to form a Chatanqua Literary and Scientific Circle; it will add greatly to the life and enjoyment of the season. Come and join them!

Oh yes the Seminole is elated over the success of its engine which is now running in a perfect manner.

Nothing is more gratifying than to see new buildings going up among us. Mr. Taylor has the frame of his new structure all up and he will not delay matters.

The story of the anvil is retold every day in our midst as we listen to the blacksmith across the way.

We are familiar with several ways whereby roaches may be exterminated but it is only within a day or two that we thought of trapping them. Our friend B. examined his mouse-trap to count the victims of the night's slaughter when he beheld two large roaches safely caught where the mice were expected to hang.

Should any one doubt the healthful air of Winter Park tell them some parties enjoyed a good night's sleep on Saturday last on the porch and awoke in the morning without a cold or a particle of stiffness in their limbs. What a lovely climate is this!

None can find "want of opportunity" are excused from staying away from church now. There were three services at the Congregational Church last Sunday.

The membership of the Winter Park Congregational Society increased last Sunday by the joining of Prof. Barrows wife and son by letter from Orange City.

New Year's Day, we expect, will long be remembered by our people, and right here let me say that you, all your subscribers, and "your sisters and your cousins and your aunts" (excuse this light reference to "Pinafore"), are cordially invited and most ardently expected to thoroughly inspect the Seminole, take a ride in the elevator, look at the beautiful scenery from

the grand promenade on top, and in fact, make yourselves thoroughly at home. The managers have decided, before having it opened for guests, thus practically closing many parts of it to the public, to have it all thrown open for one day, and the young folks will probably be treated to a hop in the evening. They hope to see hundreds, yea, thousands, here on that day, and will see that all spend a pleasant day with us. As no formal invitations will be issued, I hope everybody that reads this will decide that it is intended specially for them, and make it a point to be here.

Christmas is almost here, and the small child of the family begins to speculate on what the contents of their stockings will be. To answer in a measure this all absorbing question the ladies met at Miss Lawson's on the 14th to make arrangements for a Xmas tree. Messrs. Donkel & Klemmer, the lessees of Ergood's opera house, very kindly placed the hall at their disposal, and so we will have the tree. The conventional Santa Claus, looking like the "Old Harry" and feeling worse, will descend the "property" chimney and covered with ashes and soot (home-made) will proceed to distribute pretty little gifts to the eager children—doll babies to our bashful bachelors, moustache cups to our staid old maids, and lots of such awfully funny notions. We all laugh heartily and enjoy ourselves, and declare, as many of us have for a good many Christmas eves, that it is the most enjoyable evening we have ever spent.

The ladies of Winter Park, with their hearts bent on doing good, as they always are, have formed a library association and have started a circulating library. The preliminaries have not all been arranged, but by the liberality of Mr. Chase they have secured a room rent-free, a few books, and quite a good start for an institution only four days old.

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Knowles Hall is fast approaching completion; Cottage No. 1 is being sided up; Mr. Ergood's building will be finished this week, and all other improvements are progressing finely, so that we expect that our holiday attire will be gorgeous and all that we need now

Mr. Wilson Phelps shipped fifteen boxes of choice Tangerine oranges to New York the other day.  
Mr. I. W. Skinner, of Waltham, Mass., is spending several days here looking about the country.

are first erected in town and please very much. Sample sections may be seen at the hardware store, where prices and all other information may be procured.



I understand that Mr. Franklin Fairbanks has engaged the services of a very accomplished young lady, a graduate of the St. Johnsbury (Vt.) Academy, and a post graduate of Wellesley College, to teach in Rollins' College, he to be at all the expense. This, with Prof. Austin, who is teaching in the Preparatory Department, makes nine teachers, and all of them have all they can do.

Mr. W. F. Paige, who has managed the mammoth "Kaaterskill," in the Catskill mountains, in New York, a house of 700 rooms, and whose register has numbered 2,000 people at one time, has become associated with Mr. Forbes in the management of the Seminole, and they are both busy in New York making every arrangement possible for the comfort and entertainment of guests this winter. We are going to have the hotel of Florida, and the above is only an additional guarantee of the fact,  
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Among the Rogers House arrivals for the past week are J. M. Archer, Va.; M. T. Rose and wife, Orland, Ind.; Mrs. E. S. Rose, Indianapolis, Ind.; Dr. and Mrs. P. R. Hurd, Detroit, Mich.; J. E. Kent, New York, Manager of the advertising department of Cook's Excursionists; T. H. Walker, Charleston, S. C.; H. W. Topham, Leesburg, Fla.; E. H. Topham, Leesburg, Fla.

It makes me feel sorry to think that on the completion of the Seminole we will have to say good-by to Mr. McDonald and his assistants, who have so quickly and ably built it. They are as pleasant and courteous a lot of gentlemen as one will ever meet, and NEPAC joins with the many friends they have made here in wishing them God speed wherever their lot may be cast. 85

Mr. Robert White, Jr., began the erection of an addition to his store on the 28th. It certainly speaks well for business here when a business man must almost double his store room capacity inside of six months after the completion of what seemed then to be too large for his purposes. The "Dr." is a rusher though, and is getting trade from every direction.

The genial countenance of Count Wasselief was seen on our streets on the 23d. He expressed himself as greatly surprised and delighted at the size and beauty of the Seminole, and dined there with his friend, Mr. Chase. He was accompanied by Mr. Jolger, who is looking for a location for a grocery store, and who expressed himself as being much pleased with Winter Park.

Mr. Charles, who has been our Railroad Agent here for quite a while, has been transferred to another office and left here on the 24th. His health has not been good for a long while, and the hard work at this office has told on him severely. He has tried his best to perform his duties in a prompt, satisfactory manner, and considering his physical infirmities, he has done well. Mr. Etter, his successor, came on the 21st and took full possession on the 24th. He seems to understand his business thoroughly, and will, no doubt, make a good agent.  
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Christmas with its joys has come and gone and to the people of Winter Park it has left very pleasant memories. The day was spent here in social greetings and general enjoyment. At J. S. Capen's there gathered twenty-one people who now live or have lived at Bloomington, Ill., but who are now either living or visiting here. Mr. and Mrs. M. Alcott, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cady, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Capen, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Capen, Miss Jessie and Master Jerome Capen, Mrs. E. Capen, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Capen, Miss Louise Capen, Mrs. H. Z. and Miss Hattie Hyde, Mrs. M. M. Seward, Mr. L. A. Chase, Mrs. J. W., Miss Agnes and Master John Cook. Old times in the cold Northland from which they came were thoroughly discussed, a nice dinner eaten at 1:30 p. m., and at 3 o'clock our photographer artist, Mr. Legg, went over and took a fine view of the party arranged on the porch with the Winter Park fleet and several of the boats belonging to our citizens drawn up along the shore of Lake Osceola under command of Commander Lester for a background. It was a delightful occasion and was made more so by the presence of Mr. Charles Morton, of Boston, and Miss Hale, of St. Johnsbury, Vt. Mr. Legg deserves more than a passing notice for the fine manner in which the view is taken. He is doing some fine work and while I do not wish to say that I am glad that he could not stand the cold weather of Boston, yet I think that we ought to congratulate ourselves that, such being the case, he has decided to locate here. 85  
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#### Winter Park.

Dr. J. R. Tatum and family arrived last week, and will occupy their fine cottage on the corner of New England and Interlachen avenues.

Mr. C. G. Chubb, brother of our well-known townsman, H. S. Chubb, will spend the winter with us. 85

The little birds told the truth last week and on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22, in obedience to a series of whispered invitations, the parlors of the "Seminole" were again thronged with an eager and expectant company. This time it was Mr. J. A. McDonald's turn for a surprise, and it came when Mr. F. W. Lyman presented him with an elegant mantel clock from the Winter Park Co. Judge Welborne followed with an address of great brilliancy in presenting a diamond scarf-pin from the workmen, and Mr. Chase out-did himself in presenting a pipe, also from the workmen. To any ordinary person this flood of eloquence would have been overwhelming, but Mr. McDonald bravely stemmed the tide, and as each wave was tossed at him, he manfully did the best he could and held his own well. He has evidently succeeded in the difficult task of maintaining popularity with both his employers and employes during the long period in which the Seminole has been building.

The simple yet appropriate decorations at the Congregational Church, Sunday, Dec. 27, were heartily appreciated by the congregation, and were the subject of many compliments. From the best authority we can reach, they were the contribution of Mrs. Dr. Hooker and a delegation of young ladies and gentlemen from the college.

Louisville Dec. 1885

Mr. Loring A. Chase  
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Dear Sir. Your letter of 7th reminding me of what I could do if a Hotel was built at Winter Park that would be attractive, and make the guests comfortable, is received. Since I made this proposition my mind has undergone a considerable change by the effort made and is now making to ruin the value of my property at the head of Lake Virginia under the plan that it would be for my benefit. I ought to know my own interest, if I do not am alone the sufferer. I called last Spring on Mr. Peckham and Dr. Tatum, as friends, to sign a petition for a road which I was willing to make, and which would make the distance to Orlando, the point asked for by petitioning for a change of location and to be located through my place, but  $\frac{1}{4}$  or half of mile more. They declined on the plea of being stockholders in the Winter Park property. I cannot see how being so they should be willing to do me an injury even if Winter Park should be benefitted, at my expense. If another road than the one now used should be desired, the law allows 15 feet on  $\frac{1}{4}$  section line, but does not contemplate the running of one through the center of the 40 acres, and then to claim that I am not to have any damage for the injury as it was done for my benefit. If the road should be forced through it will destroy not only my interest in my place but also in Winter, for I have taken great interest in and felt proud of the progress there made. I am

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## To the Citizens and Guests of Winter Park.

TO provide free library facilities for this locality, Rollins College and The Library Association of Winter Park have entered upon a plan of co-operation. The College gives the free use of its books and of its library room in Knowles Hall. During the sessions of the College, this room will be open from 7:45 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. every day of the week, excepting Saturday and Sunday. The Town Library Association loans the College its books, provides other places besides Knowles Hall where books may be drawn, manages lectures, concerts, etc., and solicits aid in other ways for the enlargement of the library. The

public is asked to show its appreciation of these services by using the library with great freedom, by patronizing the entertainments offered, and by making contributions.

Any one making a deposit of one dollar or furnishing satisfactory reference may draw books.

Books of reference can be consulted only at Knowles Hall.

Other books may be drawn for a period of two weeks. Books held longer will be charged two cents a day.

Signed,

MRS. A. I. FORD,

MRS. JULIA G. EAGER,

CHARLES G. FAIRCHILD,

C. and T. Library Committee.

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## WELL SETTLEMENT Squatters and Location of Homesteads.

BY SHERMAN ADAMS.

### Chapter III.

The people of Orange county at this time (1866) were raising considerable quantities of cotton, but gins for the separation of the seed from the cotton were scarce. W. H. Holden and John R. Mizell, being largely engaged in raising this staple, determined for their own convenience, and that of their neighbors, to build a mill. The only available water power in this section was on Howell creek, near Lake Howell, in the center of section 28, township 21, R. 30. They therefore bought fifty acres of land here of the government, the first land purchased in this section, and made a contract with Hugh G. Parton to build a cotton gin, saw and grist mill on the same, which he did, being a capable mechanic, and had charge of it for several years.

But why should the creek and lake bear the name Howell? Tradition says that in the early days a counterfeiter of that name had his habitation and manufactory of counterfeit money in these wilds, and thus his name was impressed upon the locality. Thus it is, every active man leaves his impress upon his surroundings or his field of labor, whatever his occupation.

In January, 1867, the Parton family moved from Lake Conway and built a log house on the south-

east fourth of the southeast fourth of section twenty-nine, township twenty-one, range thirty, just west of the north and south line dividing it from section twenty-eight; the two story frame house which he built a few years after a little to the southeast, and now owned and occupied by Josiah Denning, being in the southwest fourth of the southwest fourth of section twenty-eight. This location is about a half mile southwest of the ruins of the old mill.

The family now being permanently and satisfactorily located, they were joined by those left at Indian River and all went to work in earnest to secure a livelihood by the cultivation of the soil, raising cattle, hogs, etc. They also set out orange trees, adding to the number year by year. Each son and son-in-law selected his own location, choosing what they considered the choicest tracts and occupying them as "squatters" for

several years, when there began to be trouble in various parts of the surrounding country from the entering of homesteads by the increasing numbers of new comers, some "squatters" losing their places. The Parton family had succeeded in their endeavors to secure a good livelihood, and made all secure by homesteading.

Hugh G. Parton, the father, homesteaded in the south part of sections 28 and 29; James B. his present place just to the east in

sections 28 and 33; Henry S., the place two miles east in section 26, now occupied by A. T. Swinhoe and T. F. A. Tufts; Robert C., the place at Maitland owned by B. F. Swoope; Stephen C., the Lawrence place between Maitland and Winter Park; Hugh Gilmore, the place about four miles southeast, now occupied by Mrs. Mathers; John T., a place beside him, also owned by Mrs. Mathers. Isaac R. Hull, who married the younger sister, Temperance, located just to the southwest of her father's place, in section 32, and John J. Reddit, the other son-in-law, two miles to the east, in section 35, same township and range. Thus they occupied the land, nine homesteads in all, and mostly within two miles of the parental headquarters. All have been industrious and self-supporting from the soil, and all have prospered and are prospering, and all continue residents of Orange county.

Hugh G. Parton lived until September 12, 1878; his wife still survives. Isaac R. Hull, the husband of Temperance Parton, died in 1876; with these two exceptions, all of the original family yet live and forty-four grandchildren. Two have died at Lake Howell and four in other parts of the county, out of the fifty grandchildren in all.

Facts like these certainly speak well for the healthfulness of Orange county. There is no physician within several miles, and if one were to locate here, he would have to depend upon his garden and his orange grove for his livelihood. It would be an excellent location for a well educated physician who desired but little practice.

In January, 1868, F. M. Canada, of Georgia, squatted a half mile to the east of the Elder Parton's place, but in 1870 sold his claim to James Tucker who sold to Chas. Newton who homesteaded, and in '82 sold to Ardor Kennaker, who has greatly improved it and sold portions to Chas. Ellsworth, J. R. Curry, E. J. Cox, Jno. A. Ford, —

Goodwin and H. S. Kedney, all of whom have fine young groves.

In 1870 or '1, Hugh G. and his son James B. Parton, homesteaded their lands to prevent any possible contention, and the members of the family soon did likewise. In '71, Benj. Parton entered a homestead a mile to the east; he has since sold and now B. J. Self, A. Moreman, W. R. Taliaferro and John Ellsworth have homes and orange groves and reside on these lands. E. J. Cox also has a lovely five-acre lake front which he will soon improve that was a portion of the same tract.

In '73 Richd. Pound and V. Lidler, both of Georgia, each located homesteads between one and two miles to the northeast, while Allen Lun, a Sweede, took a homestead to the west of H. G. Parton's, but not complying with the law, sold his relinquishment to Mr. Walker, of Conn. He did no better, and sold to Burt R. Clark, of Osceola, who in due time commuted for the same. Geo. Stackhouse, of Mississippi, also entered a homestead to the southwest which was contested and won by T. J. Adams, of Ills., about '76 or '77.

A State "forty," half a mile to the west, had been purchased about '72 by Isaac R. Hull and

now occupied by Jno. S. Parton.

Chas. H. Simmons, of Boston, Mass., in '75, located a homestead about a mile to the north, in the northwest part of section twenty-eight, and has made fine groves. This completed the homestead entries in this section until the present decade, when Mrs. E. T. Ellis, in April, '83, located a homestead in the edge of the flat woods, about a mile to the southeast, and about the same time — LeVesque, Kentucky, also secured one about two miles to the east of the Parton place.

Quite a number of other parties have secured wild lands in this vicinity, but these are all the homesteads of which I am informed, except that located about '75 by J. T. Beeks about two and a half miles to the east, in the southwest fourth of section 26; a portion of it is now owned and occupied by Daniel Hazen, of Vt.

The various homesteads have been considerably subdivided to suit purchasers, into five, ten and twenty acre lots. The prospects are that the subdivisions will continue, as this is a very healthful and attractive section of country, while five or ten acres is enough for the use of any family. It is, in fact, so favorably situated in every respect that the population seems destined to increase rapidly.

## CONGREGATIONALISM IN FLORIDA.

BY O. F. PRESBURY.

The dedication of Knowles Hall in connection with Rollins College opens a new era in the history of an institution which is to be an important factor in shaping the educational interests of this great State and of the entire South. This beautiful and well arranged hall is another noble monument of the princely liberality of R. B. Knowles, Esq. of Worcester, Mass. The dedicatory services called together a large body of representative Christian men and women, sojourners in Florida from all sections of the country. Mr. F. W. Lyman, president of the Winter Park Corporation, in behalf of the trustees, in a very interesting and appropriate address delivered the keys of the completed edifice to President E. P. Hooker, D. D., whose response was a feeling and well-deserved tribute to the Christian liberality of both Mr. Knowles and Mr. A. W. Rollins of Chicago, who gave the sum of \$50,000 to found this institution.

The address of Hon. A. J. Russell, State superintendent of schools, was an earnest and eloquent appeal in behalf of the education of the masses in the State, and the South generally. An appeal made for the furnishing of thirty-four rooms in the girls' department, at a cost of \$60 for each room, was responded to most generously, and the whole sum was raised in fifteen minutes, whereupon a note was read from Mr. Knowles, authorizing the trustees to commence at once the much-needed hall for young men, and offering to pay the entire expense of its erection.

Already this institution has about \$125,000 in valuable property, 100 pupils and ten teachers. Its influence is reaching beyond Florida, and it has pupils from other States. On the day of the dedication two Spaniards, who could not speak a word of English, were admitted as students. Now that the door is opened to Cuba as a missionary field, if our denomination enter upon the work and occupy it Rollins College will soon have large numbers of Spanish students from Cuba and from Spanish towns in Tampa and Key West. The population of the latter is now 16,000, a large proportion of whom are Cubans and Spaniards. Several wealthy Spaniards are now transferring their cigar manufactories from Havana to Tampa, and it is said there will be 10,000 Spanish-speaking residents at this point two years hence. As our denomination has now twenty-eight churches in the State, no time should be lost in improving our opportunity. A Spanish-speaking missionary with a love for the work, and baptized with the Holy Spirit, would find an open field at Tampa and Key West, which would soon extend itself to Havana and the whole island of Cuba.

Winter Park, Fla.



# Winter Park Floridian.

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"Now is the winter of our discontent"

## WINTER PARK

is a town in Orange County, Fla., 120 miles south of Jacksonville, on the South Florida Railroad, 18 miles south of Sanford, 4 miles north of Orlando, 40 miles west of Cape Canaveral on the Atlantic coast, and 80 from the Gulf, occupying a superb and commanding position upon the high plateau or water-shed that constitutes the backbone of Florida. Latitude 28½°.

The town was started in 1881, soon after the railroad was completed, and has become the trading-centre and shipping-point for fruit-growers and residents for miles around.

This beautiful region has been known for only about 10 years: the Indians had possession until 1860; and since then, until 1880, its distance from transportation facilities prevented Florida tourists from enjoying the most beautiful part of the State.

The advent of the railroad in 1880 opened the region to travel; and now hundreds of first-class families, representing nearly every State in the Union, live hereabouts summer and winter, cultivating the orange and other tropical fruits.

The thousands of acres of beautiful, high rolling land, covered with magnificent southern pines, and dotted here and there with crystal lakes, are being rapidly cut up into 5 and 10 acre farms, and occupied by new families; and a splendid and permanent community is being rapidly built up.

The main idea of the projectors of Winter Park was to have in the centre of this thriving community, — a beautiful winter resort for people who wish to escape from the cold and blustering weather so fruitful of colds, coughs, diphtheria, consumption, etc.; a collection of beautiful villas in the midst of orange-groves, upon acre-lots running to the shores of crystal lakes; a dozen or more of large, first-class hotels scattered along the ten miles of lake frontage; a resort that shall be for the winter what Saratoga, Long Branch, etc., are for the summer.

The location of Winter Park is perfect for such a scheme. Its 9 square miles, embracing over 4,000 acres, is beautiful, high, rolling land, covered with tall and majestic pines far enough apart to permit teams to be driven anywhere at will; a beautiful natural grove, and not a forest; a carpet of green grass growing to the borders of the 9 beautiful lakes scattered over the tract (see map inside), giving over ten miles of as beautiful lake frontage as can be found in the world. The whole State of Florida is challenged to produce a prettier or healthier spot. Look everywhere, but be sure and see Winter Park before locating.

Do not think you see the beauties of Winter Park by riding through on the train. The beautiful lakes, though only ¼ of a mile from the track, are hidden by the rolling land and the high banks. Stop over one train at least, and we will give you a free ride around the lakes.

—President Arthur visited Winter Park in April, 1883; and one of the reporters with him headed his despatch to his paper, "The prettiest town of all;" and said, "Winter Park is a charming village, on a high crest of land overlooking the lakes, with cottages built only in the most attractive styles."

## THE LAKES OF WINTER PARK,

of which there are 9 within 1½ miles of Winter-Park depot, no pen can do justice to, — crystal gems in emerald settings; rivals in beauty of those of Wisconsin and Minnesota; varying in size from 100 to 500 acres each, with a combined length of over 5 miles, with a width of from ¼ to 1½ miles, and connected by swiftly running streams. No green scum is ever seen upon them; for their waters are pure as crystal, and flow into the St. John's River 15 miles distant, above which they are about 100 feet. The shores are solid, and rise gradually to a height of from 20 to 40 feet, affording magnificent sites for villas and hotels: they have hard sandy bottoms, and are from 20 to 60 feet deep, and full of fish.

New and beautiful views are obtained as you drive along the high and winding banks, beneath the overhanging branches of the tall and stately pines, or saunter leisurely through the orange-groves, pausing now and then to pluck the golden fruit.

Come and take the drive or walk, and you will exclaim, as hundreds have already done, "This is the prettiest place I have seen in Florida!" A company has been chartered to put a line of steam-yachts upon these lakes. (See map inside.)

## PHYSICIANS AT WINTER PARK.

Winter Park is fortunate in having Dr. J. R. Tatum, a prominent homeopathist from Wilmington, Del., who spends his summers at Ocean Grove, N.J., and his winters at Winter Park. He came here with weak lungs; and people with lung and throat troubles, who are in doubt where to go, should write to him.

Dr. Ira Geer, an able allopathist from Chicago, has lived here summer and winter for eight years, and is an enthusiast over the climate for health. Address of both is Winter Park.

Read what Dr. Tatum says:—

"Dr. Henry Foster of Clifton Springs, N.Y., having recommended your region as the healthiest in the South, I visited it, and am free to say, that, for beauty and healthfulness, Winter Park cannot be excelled in any part of Florida, or, indeed, the United States. It may with truth be called the Italy of America,

balsamic odors created by the majestic pine forests, by which your town is surrounded, make it a most desirable place for the invalid. I shall hereafter spend my winters in Winter Park; and, if everybody in the North knew what I know, you would not have land enough for people to stand upon."

Medical men from every part of the country have visited this region, and, in common with Dr. Foster, Dr. Tatum, and Dr. Geer, are enthusiastic over it as a health resort.

—Judge O. H. Palmer, attorney for that great corporation, the New-York Mutual Life Insurance Company, who has travelled extensively in the Old World, says, "I spent a few weeks at Winter Park in the winter of 1883, and was delighted with the place. The climate is unequalled, and it is healthy. I know of no better place than Winter Park in this or any other country for a winter residence for those who wish a mild climate."

—Do not think you see Florida by a sail up the St. John's; visit the broad plateau where are the high, rolling pine-lands, with their beautiful lakes.

—Asthma finds a certain relief here. Ask H. S. Kedney, who had suffered from boyhood, and who came here, and was cured.

—Mrs. Bradley of Waukesha, Wis., correspondent of "Chicago Inter-Ocean," says, "The charm which lotus-eaters must have experienced after partaking of the fruit of destiny has taken possession of us here beside these silvery waters of lakes Osceola, Virginia, and Maitland; and we are loth to leave this enchanted spot. Although Winter Park is but an infant in years, it is the most attractive place we have visited in Florida. Letters frequently come to me making inquiries as to healthful localities; and now I can conscientiously say that Winter Park seems the most desirable place for a winter home, considering its latitude, soft spring water, absence of malaria, and railway facilities."

—The question is often asked, "Can persons live in Winter Park all the year through, and be comfortable and well?" Most certainly they can. Ask Wilson Phelps, J. C. Stovin, Judge Mizell, H. H. Berry, Col. Livingston, Dr. Ira Geer, W. S. Lane, and others who have spent summer and winter here for the past 10 years: they will tell you that they have been perfectly well all the time, and that the summers, instead of being so awfully hot as northern people suppose they must of necessity be, are far more comfortable than the hot weather in the north. This seems strange, but is easily accounted for from the fact that cool ocean breezes from the Atlantic and Gulf are constantly blowing across the narrow peninsula over this broad, high plateau; then, there are delightful showers nearly every day in summer, which cool the atmosphere.

## ON THE HEIGHTS.

There are two Floridas, — the Highlands and the Lowlands: the one, well drained, dry, and healthy; the other, damp, malarious, and unhealthy.

The Lowlands, as a rule, are found along the banks of the rivers, and until recently they have been the only Florida seen by the tourist; but, since the advent of the railroad penetrating the interior, a new Florida has been opened up; and it is fittingly termed "The Highlands."

Until within a short time the regulation-trip of the visitor to Florida has been to Jacksonville and St. Augustine; then a trip up the sluggish St. John's, the banks of which for the most part are low and marshy, relieved here and there by a few high and beautiful spots, never once leaving the river, and returning north without seeing the high and beautiful ridge of land in the interior, that forms a Divide or watershed of the State, upon the crest of which Winter Park is located.

Having seen only the desolate and almost worthless lands through which he passes in reaching Jacksonville and St. Augustine, and the low, marshy banks of the St. John's, the average tourist returned to his northern home disgusted with Florida, and believing that all the talk about its wonderful beauties and resources was one grand humbug.

But since the completion of the trunk-line of railway from Sanford across the State to Tampa, 125 miles, the tourist has been able to take in the beauties of the Highlands.

Leaving Sanford depot in an elegant parlor coach on the South Florida Railroad, you begin at once to climb (see profile of railroad in another part of this paper) to the summit of the Divide; and when Winter Park, 17 miles out, is reached, you are 92 feet above the St. John's River. A ride of 3 or 4 miles upon the crest, and you begin to go down hill.

Do not think you have seen Florida until you have seen the Highlands and their beautiful lakes.

## HEALTH AT WINTER PARK.

The high, rolling pine-lands, no malaria; far from swamps; on the crest of a water-shed from which streams flow in all directions, insuring perfect drainage; delicious sea-breezes constantly blowing from the Atlantic forty miles eastward, or from the Gulf eighty miles westward; purest of spring-water; deep, clear lakes, connected by swiftly running streams with the St. John's River fifteen miles distant; a dry soil; an atmosphere as dry and pure as that of Minnesota. Sunstrokes and hydrophobia never known.

Malaria is unknown upon the high, rolling pine-lands of Winter Park; and we challenge anybody to produce a case originating here. This is due to the absence of swamps and low lands, and to the sea-breezes constantly blowing from ocean to Gulf.

Catarrh finds here a sure and speedy relief. Ask L. A. Chase of Winter Park, who came here from Chicago in 1881 with one of the worst possible cases.

Consumption is greatly relieved in all cases by living here, and breathing in the soft, balmy air of the ocean laden with the balsamic odors of the pines. Scores of people are living in and near Winter Park, whose cures are but little short of miracles; among them John R. Ergood from Washington, D.C., now postmaster at Winter Park, who had hemorrhages every day, and was given up by his physicians. The effect of the climate upon persons with lung and throat troubles is wonderful.



made glorious summer."

The death-rate of Florida is less than any other State in the Union. United-States Surgeon-Gen. Hammond, in his report, gives for Massachusetts 1 in 254; in New York, 1 in 473; in Minnesota, 1 in 755; and in Florida, 1 in 1,447.

FOR ALL OF BROCHURE, SEE ORIGINAL SCRAPBOOK



Circles are  $\frac{1}{4}$  Mile apart with Winter Park Depot as the centre.

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Address: **CHAPMAN & CHASE, Winter Park, Orange County, Fla.**



## THE CLIMATE OF WINTER PARK.

"The air nimbly and sweetly recommends itself unto our gentle senses." — SHAKESPEARE.

Rain averages about 60 inches per year, most of which falls in the summer. In winter it seldom rains. A record kept in Orlando, four miles south of Winter Park, in 1881, shows 193 clear days, 23 cloudy, 62 partly cloudy, 72 showery, and 25 rainy. The largest quantity fell in August and September.

The atmosphere is *not* damp, as is generally supposed. Signal-service reports show that the average humidity for five years at three stations in Minnesota (noted for its dryness) was 70.4; and, for three stations in Florida, 72.

Summers *not* as hot as is generally supposed, but made delightfully pleasant by the cool sea-breezes constantly blowing across our narrow peninsula. Thermometer seldom above 90. Delightful showers almost every day.

Winters at Winter Park resemble the delightful Indian summers of the North,—but little rain, nights delicious for sleep, atmosphere dry and elastic; vegetables fresh from the garden, oranges from the trees every day; forest-trees clothed in living green, and flowers in full bloom.

Temperature at Orlando (four miles south) in June, July, and August, 1881, averaged, at sunrise, 75°; at noon, 88°; at sunset, 79°. In January, February, and December, 1881, at sunrise, 57°; at noon, 70°; at sunset, 65°. The highest was 96° at noon, July 8; and the lowest, 38° at sunrise, Dec. 31.

In "The London Times," Surgeon-Gen. Star says, "After thorough study of climate in different parts of the world, and a stay of more than two months in Florida, I am prepared to stake my reputation upon the statement, that, in the interior of this State, on the high, dry pine-land, is to be found as pure, balmy, invigorating atmosphere as on any other part of the globe."

## SOCIETY AT WINTER PARK

is first class. A social gathering in the town hall brings together as refined and cultivated a company as can be found anywhere.

Twenty-seven southern and 114 northern families, representing 27 States, own places within 1½ miles of Winter-Park depot; and scores of other families own places near by, but outside of this limit,—all attracted hither during the past 10 years by the great beauty and healthfulness of this beautiful lake region, and by the facilities for orange and fruit farming; and hundreds of other families will come as the section becomes better known. These 141 families represent many callings, as follows: 3 millionaires, 18 capitalists, 4 bankers, 19 merchants, 1 bishop, 7 ministers, 4 doctors, 3 dentists, 3 judges, 2 lawyers, 7 manufacturers, 2 journalists, 2 hotel-men, 3 land-men, 3 army officers, 1 naval officer, 2 college professors, 1 civil engineer, 2 railroad officials, 2 insurance men, 1 jeweller, 2 livery men, 4 painters, 8 carpenters, 2 United-States officials, 2 gardeners, 20 orange-farmers, and 13 ladies, heads of families.

In addition there are about a dozen families of negroes.

Among these 141 families are the following:—

**Chicago.**—Judge Eugene Cary; William C. Comstock of Board of Trade; A. W. Rollins, 186 Fifth Avenue; Henry Huntington of "Evening Journal"; C. H. Morse of Fairbanks, Morse, & Co.; and C. V. McKinley of Northwestern Railroad.

**Boston.**—R. M. Pulsifer of "Herald"; F. G. Webster of Kidder, Peabody, & Co.'s Banking House; Dr. E. P. Bradbury and Dr. Alvah Littlefield, 635 Washington Street.

**New-York City.**—Mrs. Judge Palmer, and A. S. Apgar, Cashier Merchants' Bank.

**Minnesota.**—Bishop Whipple, Richard Chute, and F. W. Lyman of Minneapolis.

**Kentucky.**—John P. Morton, the wealthy publisher of Louisville; and Mrs. Bull, widow of Dr. Bull of cough-syrup fame.

**New York.**—Hon. Lewis Lawrence, Utica; Hon. W. D. Gorsline, Miller's Mills; Moses Lyman, Waverly.

**Illinois.**—Andrew Richmond and Charles Comstock of Evanson; Professors Cook and Metcalf of State University.

**Washington.**—Lieut. Dyer of the Hydrographic Office, Navy Department; J. R. Ergood; and Robert White.

**South Carolina.**—Gen. J. B. Palmer of Columbia.

**St. Louis.**—Peleg Peckham, merchant, and W. L. Zabriskie.

**Iowa.**—Hon. H. C. Curtis of La Marrs.

**Delaware.**—Dr. J. R. Tatum of Wilmington.

**New Jersey.**—Judge J. F. Welborne of New Providence.

**Massachusetts.**—F. B. Knowles of Worcester.

**Maryland.**—Nelson Beall of Frostburg.

**Alabama.**—Gen. S. G. French, and Major Abercrombie.

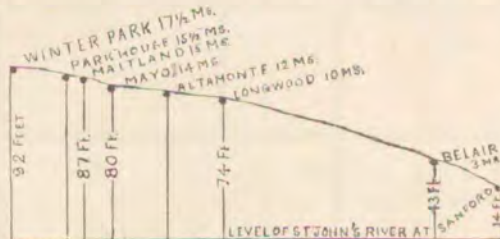
**Vermont.**—Hon. Franklin Fairbanks, the scale-manufacturer.

**England.**—Hon. J. I. Hopwood and J. C. Stovin.

Such men as Dr. Henry Foster of Clifton Springs, N.Y.; Iimeon Farwell of J. V. Farwell & Co., Chicago; Hamilton Weston and J. M. Wilcox of Philadelphia; Gen. H. S. Sanford, late minister to Belgium; Col. Zell of cyclopaedia fame; Col. I. B. Church of English army; Charles Amory and E. B. Haswell of "Herald," Boston; H. L. Stebbins, the rich publisher of Hartford; Count Wassalief of Russia; Hon. J. G. Snelair and Dr. William Child of New Hampshire; Rev. Lyman Phelps of Connecticut; J. E. Ingraham of St. Louis; Hon. E. K. Foster of Florida, etc.,—own places within a few miles of Winter Park.

## THE SOUTH FLORIDA RAILROAD,

running 4 daily trains through the centre of Winter Park, between Sanford the head of navigation on the St. John's River, and Tampa on the Gulf coast, is a first-class trunk-line, built by Pulsifer & Co. of "The Boston Herald," and now controlled and managed by those two great railroad men, H. B. Plant and H. S. Haines. J. E. Ingraham is President; B. R. Swoope, Supt.



The foregoing profile was prepared from elevations furnished by the chief engineer of the road, and shows, that, as you ride from Sanford, you are gradually ascending to the summit of the broad plateau upon which Winter Park is located. A glance at the map of Orange County shows that from this plateau, or water-shed, streams run in all directions. What stronger proof is needed to show that Winter Park has a healthy location?

*Do not think that you see the beauties of Winter Park by riding through on the cars, for the lakes are mostly hidden by the high land. Stop over at least one train, and take a drive.*

- The Winter-Park Social Club meets in Town Hall.
- Chicago beef is used at Winter Park.
- Two ice-factories near Winter Park.
- A dairy farm 2 miles from Winter Park.
- A good livery at Winter Park.
- Telegrams to all parts of the world from Winter Park.
- Boating is fine on the Winter-Park lakes.
- A meat-market at Winter Park.
- Fish in great abundance in the lakes of Winter Park.
- Two general stores at Winter Park.
- Vegetable gardens at Winter Park.
- Take your annual vacation in winter, and visit Winter Park.
- For town plan, sizes of lots, etc., see map inside.
- Teachers of music, painting, and drawing at Winter Park.
- Water at Winter Park from springs and wells is as pure and sweet as from mountain-springs.
- Cost of living at Winter Park is about the same as at the North. Great saving in fuel and clothing.
- Quails are numerous about Winter Park; and deer are plenty within 5 miles, giving plenty of venison.
- Stereoscopic views of Winter-Park cottages, lakes, groves, etc., will be sent, postage paid, 8 for \$1, by postmaster.
- The Winter-Park Town Hall has a good stage for theatricals, and a fine floor for dancing.
- At Christmas festival of 1883, 92 children living in vicinity of Winter Park received presents from the tree.
- Snakes are scarce at Winter Park. The writer, during 3 years, has never seen but one poisonous one.
- Winter Park was laid out by Oliver E. Chapman of Canton, Mass., and Loring A. Chase of Chicago, in 1881.
- It is easy to say nice things about any place. We ask nobody to take our say-so in regard to Winter Park. Come and see for yourself: *you will not be disappointed.*
- A new boarding-house, to cost, fully furnished, from \$3,000 to \$5,000, is greatly needed at Winter Park, and would pay handsomely. This will bear investigation.
- The two political parties are about equally represented in the vicinity of Winter Park, and everybody is as free to talk and vote as he pleases as in the North.
- A good public school at Winter Park, and an effort is being made to establish one of a high grade. Educators are earnestly invited to come, and investigate the great advantages and liberal inducements offered.
- Rev. C. W. Ward, an eloquent Episcopal clergyman from New York, has a beautiful cottage on Lake Osceola, and holds services in the Town Hall at present, though a lot has been secured for a church-building. Seven ministers own lots in Winter Park.
- The Congregationalists have a fine building at Winter Park, costing over \$3,000, with a fine bell. They have also a first-class minister in the person of Rev. Dr. E. P. Hooker from Massachusetts, who resides in a parsonage belonging to the church. There is also a flourishing Sunday school in connection with the church.
- Judge J. R. Mizell of Winter Park is a native Floridian, having lived here summer and winter since 1858. He has raised a family of four children, and has never had a physician in the house, which speaks well for the healthfulness of this region. He is much interested in public affairs, and is chairman of the Republican County Committee.

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

**ROGERS HOUSE,** located upon beautiful Lake Osceola (covering about 300 acres). Three minutes' walk from depot; surrounded by the piney woods and orange-groves; light, airy rooms, commanding magnificent lake views; table, first class; pure spring water; lake full of fish. No more delightful resting-place can be found in all Florida, and *you will not be disappointed* upon arriving. A. E. Rogers, Winter Park.

**TETLEY PLACE,** on south shore of Lake Maitland, is one of the prettiest places in Florida. A new house, splendidly located near the lake, and surrounded by flowers and orange-trees, commands lovely lake views, and will accommodate a dozen boarders. Address J. C. Stovin, Winter Park.

**GUILD HOUSE** is beautifully located at north end of Lake Osceola, and accommodates about 15 boarders. Address William A. Guild, Winter Park.

**ALTAMONTE HOTEL,** Altamonte, Orange County, Fla., is new, and pleasantly located on the line of South Florida Railroad, between Sanford and Winter Park, and is one of the best appointed hotels south of Palatka. The situation, on a ridge between two clear-water lakes, is one of the most picturesque in Orange County. The hotel will open Jan. 15, 1885, and be in charge of Mr. W. E. Wood, who has successfully conducted the house last season. For terms, address W. E. Wood, 287 Devonshire Street, Boston, Mass., up to Jan. 10, and after that date, Altamonte Station, Orange County, Fla.

**PHOTO-ELECTROTYPE** is the name of a process of engraving by photography at less than one-half the cost of wood-engraving. The plates are equal to the finest wood-cuts, and, in point of depth, superior. We furnish an electrotype all ready for the printer's use.

We can do every description of work,—Maps, Machinery, Furniture, Buildings, Autograph Letters, Illustrations for Trade Catalogues, etc. The map of Winter Park, inside, was made by this process. Address Photo-Electro Co., 63 Oliver St., Boston.

**ORANGE TREES.**—Holden Brothers have for sale 300,000 young orange-trees, many of them budded with choicest varieties. They also contract to take raw land in lots or acres, clear it of pines, plant it with orange-trees, and care for them for a term of years. Address Holden Brothers, Winter Park.

**SAW-MILL.**—Holden Brothers have a saw-mill on the west end of Lake Killarney, with a good planer, and can furnish rough and dressed lumber at lowest rates, and haul to any point.

**JACKSONVILLE TO SANFORD.**—The De Bary-Baya Line run elegant steamers daily between these places. For particulars, apply at ticket-office, south-east corner Bay and Laura streets, Jacksonville. W. B. Watson, General Manager, and C. B. Fenwick, General Passenger Agent.

**THE LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD** is one of the finest and best-equipped roads in the United States. Tourists from the north-west will not make a mistake by taking this line. In Chicago call at 122 Randolph Street, and in Jacksonville on L. R. Tuttle.

**PEOPLE'S LINE OF STEAMERS** on the St. John's River for Sanford. A boat leaves Astor Wharf every day. William Davidson, Agent, Astor Block, Jacksonville.

**ADAMS HOUSE, BOSTON,** 553 Washington Street, is new and first class; European plan. Hall and Whipple.

**NEW YORK TO SAVANNAH.**—The Ocean Steamship Company run elegant palace steamers. For particulars, apply to G. M. Sorrel, City Exchange Building, Savannah; or Henry Yonge, Pier 35, North River, New York.

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**THE SANFORD HOUSE,** at Sanford, is a first-class house of 100 rooms, and under the management of J. M. Lee of the Everett House in Jacksonville. It is beautifully located.

**HOTEL ST. CLOUD** at Sanford (formerly Nolan House) is kept by Mrs. E. Manson of Bay View House, Old Orchard.

**CARPENTER.**—R. J. D. Larrabee lives near depot, and contracts to build houses, and do all kinds of carpenter-work.

**WANTED,** at Winter Park, a man to open a drug-store, another to start a laundry, another to start a poultry-farm, another to build and run a large boarding-house, all of which will pay well. Address Chapman & Chase, Winter Park.

**ORANGE-GROWER.**—Henry Huntington will contract to clear lots, and fence and plant them with orange and other trees, at lowest rates. Address Winter Park.

**BARGAINS** at Winter Park in real estate. Many men make a business of clearing land and planting orange-groves to sell. The following are a few of the good opportunities for investment in vicinity of Winter Park. For details, address Chapman & Chase, Winter Park.

**BARGAIN NO. 1** is 100 acres of splendid land, with lakes on 2 sides, and with over 2,000 orange-trees, some of which are over 30 years old. The ground is high, and slopes beautifully to the lakes. It is the place for 10 families to have orange-groves and winter homes together, as there are 10 high and beautiful building sites. One man could care for the ten groves.

**BARGAIN NO. 2.**—A gentleman from Chicago, having recently purchased 120 acres of land a mile from Winter-Park depot, desires to sell 40 acres cheap; good orange-land, and suitable for cutting into lots as addition to Winter Park.

**BARGAIN NO. 3.**—A beautiful lot 100 x 500, sloping from Orlando Avenue west into Lake Killarney, can be had for \$325. A fine orange-grove and a large, new house alongside; shores solid; beautiful slope and good orange-land.

**BARGAIN NO. 5.**—A 10-acre grove, ¼ mile from depot, can be had at a bargain, as owner must have money.

**BARGAIN NO. 6.**—Twenty acres choice rolling land, with 900 best budded trees, some bearing; splendidly located ¼ miles from Winter-Park depot. Price \$7,000.

**BARGAIN NO. 7** is a 9-room house nicely furnished, 6 broad verandas, green blinds, plastered throughout, floors stained and oiled, lot 110 x 125, few steps from depot; just the thing for boarding-house or family residence.

**BARGAIN NO. 8.**—Seven acres, and 500 seedling trees 10 years old, beautifully located on Lake Osceola.

**BOARDING-HOUSE, JACKSONVILLE.**—The Grand View, corner Clay and Forsythe streets; new house and new furniture. G. W. Smith, Proprietor.



### HOTELS AT WINTER PARK.

The Rogers House, 3 minutes' walk from depot, accommodates about 30, and is beautifully located on the high banks of Lake Osceola. Wilson Phelps, W. A. Guild, and J. C. Stovin have houses on lake-banks in centre of orange-groves, and accommodate a few boarders.

A large, first-class hotel is greatly needed at Winter Park, and would pay handsomely. Every man and woman who has been here will testify to the truthfulness of this statement.

Hundreds were here last winter who would have staid weeks if there had been a large hotel run in first-class shape.

Florida tourists increase in number each year. Last winter there were over 50,000; and it is no idle talk to say, that, if Winter Park had to-day 3 hotels, accommodating from 200 to 500 guests each, and run in first-class shape, they would be full at least 3 months every winter with wealthy families from every part of the United States.

"The Sanford Journal," April, 1884, said, "The Sanford House closed on the 6th inst. During the season, of about 90 days, the arrivals have been 6,349." Sanford is 17 miles from Winter Park.

A prominent hotel-man from one of the great summer resorts of the North, after looking over Winter Park, said, "If there is any better place for a grand hotel-centre in Florida than this, I do not care to see it."

Why did he think so? Because he found here a broad plateau, or watershed, from which streams flow in every direction, insuring perfect drainage; because he found on the 10 miles of lake frontage high and commanding hotel-sites, from which he obtained magnificent views of 9 crystal lakes, all within 1½ miles of depot; because he found dry, rolling, fertile lands covered with majestic pines; because he found drinking-water as pure and sweet as that of his mountain home; because he found an atmosphere free from dampness and malaria; in short, because he found one of the most beautiful and healthy spots to be found in all our broad land.

A wealthy gentleman from Buffalo, N.Y., who has spent 7 winters in Jacksonville and St. Augustine, said, after riding over Winter Park in February, 1884, "I had no idea there was such a spot in Florida as this; and if you had a large, first-class hotel, here is where I should spend the winter with my family."

I. S. Craft, Esq., owner of the beautiful Magnolia on the St. John's, and the grand San Marco at St. Augustine, visited Winter Park after he had begun the San Marco, and said, "If I had not begun at St. Augustine, I should be inclined to build here."

Pages could be written picturing the beauties and advantages of this beautiful region, and yet fail to do it justice. It must be seen; and hotel-men, looking for locations, should not fail to visit Winter Park before locating. You will not be disappointed at the outlook should you come.

In Jacksonville ask Mr. Lee of the "Everett," Col. Roberts and Mr. Forbes of "St. James," and Mr. McIver of the "Duval;" Also N. T. Ball of Block Island, R.I.; F. G. Staples of Old Orchard, Me.; E. P. Hamor of Bar Harbor; Mr. Dodson of "Atlantic" at Norfolk, Va.; and Mr. Craft of St. Augustine, — what they think of Winter Park as a place for large hotels.

The number of arrivals at hotels in Jacksonville, not counting boarding-houses, in winter of 1883 and 1884 was 41,949.

### "HOTEL HIGHLANDS."

A company has been organized at Winter Park, under the laws of Florida, with a capital stock of \$100,000, for the purpose of building a large, first-class house, to be called "Hotel Highlands," to be ready for business Dec. 1, 1885.

Among the subscribers to its stock are such well-known men as Hon. Lewis Lawrence of Utica, N.Y.; F. G. Webster of Kidder, Peabody, & Co.'s Banking House, Boston; Dr. J. R. Tatum of Wilmington, Del.; Judge Eugene Cary, A. W. Rollins, and W. C. Comstock of Chicago; F. W. Lyman of Minneapolis; Judge Welborne of New Jersey; W. P. Long of John D. Cutter & Co., New-York City; Mrs. Dr. Bull of Louisville, Ky.; John Symonds of Keene, N.H.; R. M. Pulsifer of "Boston Herald," George D. Rand, Architect, 28 School Street; Dr. Alvah Littlefield, 635 Washington Street; Dr. E. P. Bradbury, 124 Commonwealth Avenue, etc., etc.

It is proposed to have a hotel that shall be equal, if not superior, to any thing in the South,—first class in every particular. And hotel-men visiting the State are earnestly invited to visit Winter Park, and look the field over, as the company wish to secure a first-class man to manage the house when completed, either as an interested party or on a salary.

The company will be on a very solid basis; as the citizens of Winter Park and vicinity will give, as a bonus, lots and lands which will undoubtedly be worth, when the hotel is in successful operation, its full cost.

The company would let the right man have the controlling interest, or give him the privilege of buying in the future a controlling or the whole interest, as the main object of its projectors is to get a first-class hotel at Winter Park, and a first-class man to manage it. Here is a splendid opportunity for somebody.

It is proposed to put on the lakes a line of steam yachts for the pleasure of the guests.

For particulars, apply to secretary, L. A. Chase, Winter Park.

### COTTAGES AT WINTER PARK

are in harmony with the great natural beauty of the place, costing from \$500 to \$7,000 each: there are 63 now within 1½ miles of depot, and several more are planned.



O. E. CHAPMAN'S HOUSE ON LAKE OSCEOLA.

### ORANGE CULTURE

pays in the vicinity of Winter Park. No better place can be found in the State for the business. Scores of flourishing groves in the vicinity show what can be done. Within 1½ miles of Winter-Park depot are over 40,000 flourishing orange-trees in grove form, of all ages and sizes.

Frost, which in the exceptionally cold winter of 1883 froze oranges and orange-trees in the northern part of the State, did no damage whatever here. Let what will be said about a frost-line, it is a fact, that orange-trees are safer in Orange County than in the counties north of it.

Every owner of land in Winter Park, be it a lot 100 x 150, or 10 acres, should have some trees growing upon it: the investment is a first-class one, figured in the most conservative way.

Good, reliable men are here, who make a business of planting and taking care of orange-groves of from 25 trees up to 5,000.

You can have an average acre of Winter-Park land cleared, fenced with wire, and planted with 100 4-year-old choicest budded trees for \$240, not including price of lot.

You can contract to have these 100 trees hoed, fertilized, and thoroughly cared for, for say 7 years, at a cost as follows: first year, 45 cents per tree; second year, 55 cents; third year, 65 cents; fourth year, 75 cents; fifth year, 85 cents; sixth year, 95 cents; and seventh year, \$1.05 per tree,—a total for the 7 years of \$525; which, added to \$240, the cost of starting, makes the total cost of your grove of 100 11-year old trees \$765, or say \$8 per tree.

During the 7 years, you would probably get (estimating low) an average of 1,000 oranges from each tree, worth net at least 1 cent each, or \$10 for each tree, or \$1,000 for the 100 trees, or \$25 more than the entire cost of the grove.

At the end of 7 years, then, you have a flourishing orange-grove of 100 11-year old trees that has not cost you a dollar, and that is worth to you, then, at least \$50 per tree, or \$5,000. The trees, then, will be but just beginning to bear, and will increase steadily for at least 100 years. Dr. Martin has one tree 23 years old, 3 miles west of Winter-Park depot, upon which the writer saw over 4,000 oranges, which the doctor afterwards told him brought over \$80. The "Tampa Tribune" of a recent date said, "One of the largest orange-trees in Florida is on E. B. Sparkman's place, in this county. It is 6 feet 3 inches in circumference, and bears from 10,000 to 12,000 oranges annually."

In the above estimate, it must be remembered that all the work was hired; that the trees received extra attention; that the fertilizers used were the most costly in the market, and the application the most liberal; and that the contract was for only 1 acre, a 5 or 10 acre grove costing much less in proportion.

Harriet Beecher Stowe says, "After many years of experience, I have no hesitation in saying that the orange-crop is the most steady and certain of all fruit. As many as ten thousand oranges have been raised in one year from a single tree. Fruit may be expected from the seed in six years."

Gen. Sanford, who owns a grove of 10,000 trees 10 miles from Winter Park, says, "The Speer grove of 4½ acres, adjoining my lands, has averaged \$4,500 per crop for the past 11 years. Its yield one year was \$7,200." About 800,000,000 of oranges are imported yearly, and Florida raises 50,000,000.

—Hay fever is cured here. Ask Dr. E. Martin, who was terribly afflicted when he came.

—Rheumatism is cured by a residence here. Ask Martin Conway, who came here in 1873 nearly dead with it.

—Yellow fever is sometimes brought to Pensacola by foreign vessels; but that city is 400 miles from Winter Park, and there is no more danger from it here than in New York.

—Wilson Phelps, who has lived here 9 years, says, "When I came here, I was nearly dead with bronchitis of 30 years' standing, and am now entirely relieved and cured."

—Dr. Lendt says, "The earlier stages of Bright's disease may be more successfully treated in Florida than in the North."

—Children are remarkably healthy here. Diphtheria, croup, scarlet-fever, so disastrous at the North, are unknown.

—Osceola, the great Seminole chieftain, formerly lived on the banks of the lovely lake at Winter Park that bears his name.

—Send to Orlando for sample copy of Orange County "Reporter," and to Sanford for "Sanford Journal."

—Flowers are beautiful at Winter Park. The oleander and rose are trees of no small size. The writer has picked 27 varieties of wild flowers during a short walk.

—"The Boston Home Journal" published at 403 Washington Street, is one of the leading society journals of New England. Its elegant office is Florida head-quarters, where Winter-Park maps can always be found.

—The Bigelow orange-grove of 40 acres, 1½ miles north of Winter-Park depot, was sold in September, 1884, to Hon. J. I. Hopwood of England, an ex-member of Parliament, for \$53,000. Nine years ago it was a pine forest.

—C. V. McKinley, formerly of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, but now connected with the South Florida Railroad, lives at Winter Park, and has laid out 80 acres of his home-places into lots as an addition to the town.

—The Hon. Lewis Lawrence of Utica, N.Y., has a beautiful winter home in Winter Park, where he spends about 7 months annually. His beautiful orange-grove of 2,200 trees, his system of pumping water from Lake Maitland by means of an Ericson hot-air pump, and his fine vegetable garden, are all worth seeing.

—Osceola is a pretty village, located a mile east of Winter-Park depot, and was laid out by Wilson Phelps, Esq., in 1875. He came from Chicago with bronchitis of 30 years' standing, and was cured in two years. Mr. Phelps has a beautiful orange-grove and home on the east bank of Lake Osceola, and some beautiful lots to sell. Travellers for Osceola stop at Winter Park.

—The Florida Midland Railroad, running down the centre of the State, now being built by some Boston capitalists, will cross the South Florida Railroad at Longwood, 7 miles north of Winter Park, thus giving all rail-connections with New York, Chicago, etc. Its completion is expected in February, 1885. E. W. Henck of Longwood is President, and C. W. Morris of Boston, Treas.

—James S. and Charles M. Capen, recently in the wholesale crockery business in Bloomington, Ill., have sold the same, and with Samuel Capen of Farmer City, Ill., have moved with their families to Winter Park, where they will reside summer and winter, having purchased 80 acres, which they have laid out as an addition to Winter Park.

—Harriet Beecher Stowe, who spends her winters in Florida, says, "The situation of Florida, surrounded by the sea, and the free sweep of winds across it, temper the air, and blow away malarious gases. There may be malaria along the St. John's in summer, as there is along the Hudson and Connecticut in the North; but in winter there is no malaria in Florida."

—"The Sanford Journal" says, "From the experimental acre at Bel Air Grove, there was sold, in July, \$461 worth of pine-apples and plants, and, thus far in August, 100 boxes of lemons, making a total of \$711; and yet there are to be gathered a great many more lemons, a few more pineapples, and the entire orange-crop. Who else in this country can show an acre of land which will give a better return?"

—This paper is published at irregular intervals to advertise Winter Park. We want everybody to have a copy and learn of this beautiful lake region. Some strong statements are made herein, but a visit will fully convince you of their truth. Drop a postal to Chapman & Chase, Winter Park, who will mail copies free to any address. One cent will carry two copies anywhere in United States.

### ADVERTISEMENTS.

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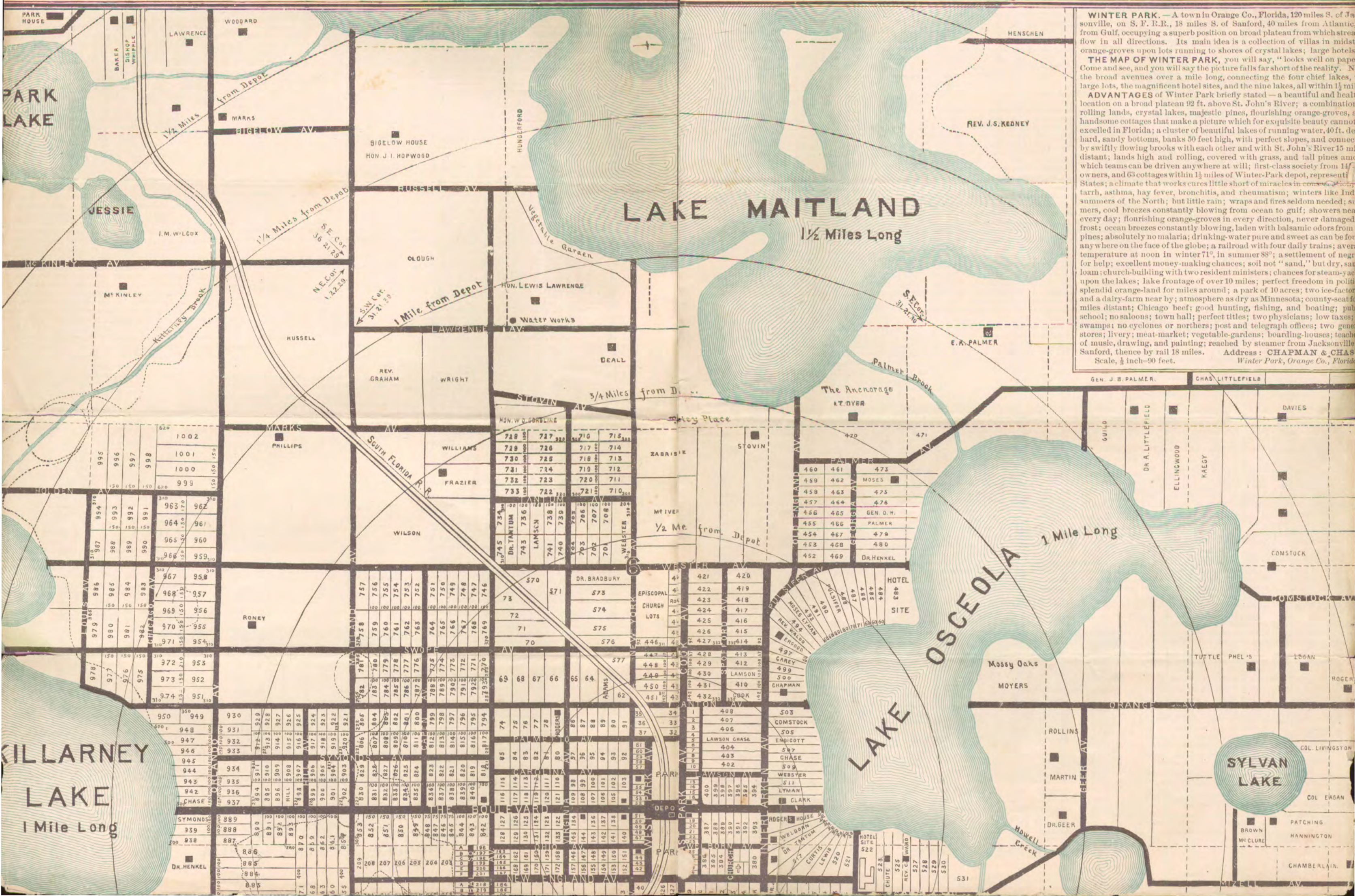
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## NOTES FROM WINTER PARK.

The topic most discussed the past week has been that of the proposed clay roads to Orlando. The subject naturally takes the plural form here because our friends along the easterly and westerly routes are both sanguine of success. We are thus saved all argument as to which of the two is to be preferred. It is evident that each route has its advantages. If the west route is shorter than the other, the east route avoids the railroads. So we welcome both and put in our work to meet them both at the point of divergence. Our subscription list is not yet full. It will take harder work to raise the last quarter than the previous three quarters of it. Nevertheless the money will somehow have to be raised, probably by the public spirited people carrying more than their fair share of the burden.

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The meeting of the horticultural society last Saturday was well attended, interesting and profitable. Two excellent papers were read; one by Mr. C. H. Ward on the value of Florida clover or beggar weed, with practical advice relating to its cultivation and care. The other by Mr. T. H. Chandler on other forage crops grown in Florida. The discussion that followed brought out many points of value, and the fact seemed established that there is no need of a scarcity of home-grown feed for stock both nutritious and cheap. Further experiments, however, are desirable to discover some perennial grasses that will make permanent pasturage.

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The summer care of roses was the second topic of the meeting. It was stated that the greatest success can be reached by budding choice roses on the Cherokee or manetti stocks, or other deep-rooted sorts. A mixture of clay with the soil (not under the soil) was advised, and of course abundant enrichment, the best being well composted cow manure.

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The next meeting will occur on Saturday, the 11th, when citrus fruits will be the main topic, with special reference to the treatment best adapted to present conditions. Messrs. Chubb, Switzer and McMurray will present the subject. Another topic for the same meeting will be annual flowering plants, in charge of a committee of ladies. The time of the meeting is 4 o'clock, at the usual place.

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The college term opened on Tuesday. Several of the teachers and pupils spent a part of the vacation at Mount Dora, in attendance on the Chautauqua exercises. They report a pleasant occasion and much interest.

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The northern movement still continues. The Crosbys went last week, the Touseys, Ripleys, Kirkpatricks and the senior Mr. Givin go this week. Others will go soon. The Rogers house will close a little earlier than usual this year, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers going to the Adarondics to take charge of the hotel

Schroon Lake during the season there.

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The work of budding in the orange groves has come to an end for the present, on account of the lack of rain. The sap is not now flowing freely enough to furnish the right condition. Rain is indeed much needed, although the trees show no signs of suffering.

At the Comstock groves the irrigating pumps have been at work for several days. Some blossoming or hope of blossoming is reported there. It seems probable however that the trees have been making wood too fast for much blooming.

## WINTER PARK POINTERS

Such a busy hiye has our little village been the past few weeks there has been no time to note down the many changes which are occurring.

The one absorbing topic of interest at present is the opening of Rollins college. Never has there been a brighter outlook for this excellent institution than at present. Through the untiring efforts of the president, new friends and interest have been enlisted. The faculty has been enlarged, and a greatly increased attendance is already assured, while there is tidings of "more to follow".

Among the college personals we note the return of Prof. and Mrs. Hills (nee Srough) who are occupying the beautiful home of Mr. Rand on Interlachen avenue.

Miss Lord has returned from her summer in Maine, accompanied by her sister. They are house-keeping in Prof. Austin's home on Lake Osceola.

Prof. Baker and Norman are domiciled at Lakeside cottage, Mrs. Baker having remained north.

Miss Mary Pifer, a graduate of last year is now numbered with the teachers much to the gratification of her village friends as well as College folks.

Miss Ruth Ford will be "at home" at Cloverleaf cottage this winter.

The vocal teacher, Miss Bibbins, encountered the severe storm in Ga., which somewhat delayed her arrival, but all who have met her feel assured that her efforts to place the musical department in the exalted place which it has occupied in former years will meet with success.

Mrs. Abbot, the ever faithful, is back in her place after a pleasant summer north with her daughter.

Mrs. Gonzalez, mother of four of our students, arrived from Cuba on Friday last. It was a joyful meeting after months of anxious separation.

Prof. Morse, of Boston, the newly appointed vice president of the college, has arrived with his family and is located at Lakeside cottage.

The new clay road to the college is completed on Interlachen avenue.

Winter Park is fortunate in having an addition of two earnest energetic young men in the new pastor, the Congregational and Episcopal churches. It is hoped the Methodist pastor will be as successful in securing wide awake, consecrated ministers, the united influence of these churches may reach all in this community, and result in lasting good for many lives.

Mrs. W. E. Comstock arrived on Monday from Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Richmond have added some improvements to their pretty cottage in town and are now occupying it for the winter.

The measles made its advent among the colored children some weeks ago, and has now reached the white children, several families being on the list.

Mr. Harley Wark is absent from his usual place in Schultz's store on account of sickness.

Mr. Geo. Benedict who has been very sick in Tampa for some weeks, was brought by his mother to their home at the rectory last Friday.

Mr. Bear who has been north for some weeks returned last Wednesday, leaving Mrs. B. some weeks longer in Virginia.

This April weather in October seems rather unusual, but rain is always welcome in Florida.

## SCHOOL AND COLLEGE

### CUBANS AT ROLLINS COLLEGE

There Have Been Twenty-Two Under Instruction There Since 1896-97

In reply to an inquiry from the Cuban Educational Association, at the head of which is Major General Joseph Wheeler, the following statement is made regarding the education of Cubans at Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla.:

In 1896-97 the first Cubans, two in number, entered the college. In 1897-98 fifteen entered, and at the beginning of the present school year, 1898-99, eighteen were in attendance, making a total, after deducting names repeated, of twenty-two. Of these thirteen came from Havana, two from Marinao, a suburb of Havana; one from Sagua la Grande, and six from Tampa, Fla. With the exception of two from Tampa, the presence of these Cubans at an American college was largely due to the unsettled conditions existing in Cuba. The average age of the Cuban students at the time of matriculation was 14½ years. The oldest was twenty-two years old. But two out of the twenty-two were girls, and they were accompanied by older brothers. The chief object of Cubans in entering an American college is to learn English. Of those at Rollins, fourteen knew no English upon entering, six had a slight acquaintance with the language, and two spoke English and Spanish equally well.

The inability of the greater part of the Cubans to read and write English necessitated the organization of special classes. The following course of study was arranged for the first year's work: special English, daily; special arithmetic, daily; writing, twice a week; and beginning with the second term, reading and spelling, daily. The second year the students have generally been able to enter the regular classes.

For causes due to local conditions, Rollins College has a preparatory department, which offers a course of study practically equivalent to that of a well-appointed high school, and it also has a business department. It is into these departments the Cubans have entered after the year's preparatory work. Nine entered the preparatory department, one the business department and six elected work in both departments. The subjects elected in the preparatory department, in order of popularity, were: English grammar, arithmetic, reading and spelling, geography, elementary rhetoric, and English literature, algebra, physics, chemistry, physiology and general history. In the business department the following subjects were elected: bookkeeping, commercial arithmetic, type-writing, telegraph, commercial law and (only one) shorthand. A considerable number of the Cuban students also entered the college classes in beginning and advanced Spanish, so as to have practice in translating from Spanish into English.

In regard to mental and moral qualities the following attempt to classify the Cubans is necessarily imperfect: Mentality—Diligent, 11; willing, 8; idle, 3. Morality—Good, with one exception. Discipline—Good, 16; poor, 5; bad, 1. On the whole the Cubans were morally and mentally the equal of the Americans. Their ignorance of American customs and of the English language put them at a disadvantage; but they were generally quick to learn and obedient to discipline. There has been no pronounced case of immorality or of disobedience to rules. In one respect the Cubans excel—in courteousness and general good breeding.

In religion the Cubans at Rollins College have all been nominally Roman Catholics. All Cubans are nominally so, but the great majority of them seem to have a great aversion to that Church. Three or four have attended the Roman Catholic Church regularly, although at some distance from Winter Park, and two-thirds have been regular attendants at the Protestant churches and the Christian Endeavor meetings in the town. In politics they have differed greatly. Probably half have been outspoken in their desire to see Cuba annexed to this country, while the rest have preferred independence. Several came from Spanish families, but all showed an equally strong dislike for the Spanish Government in Cuba. All intend to return to Cuba as soon as their education

is completed.

The Cubans selected Rollins College for the following reasons: (1) Special efforts made to reach them by Rev. George M. Ward, president, and the fact that a member of the faculty, Professor E. C. Hills, is thoroughly acquainted with their customs and language; (2) the proximity of the college to Cuba; (3) the favorable climatic conditions; (4) and the small expense. The matter of expense is at present all-important with the Cubans. Those at Rollins College have, with few exceptions, come from old and influential families that have been to a large extent ruined by the war, and consequently it has been necessary in many cases to give them financial aid.

Reports have reached the college recently that thousands of young Cubans wish to come to this country to be educated. President Ward has gladly assented to the request of the Cuban Educational Association, and will give free tuition to two Cuban students to be selected by the society. The Cubans have caused considerable extra

expense at Rollins College, as their instruction has been chiefly special and in some cases individual; but the college authorities are satisfied that an excellent work is being done, and they hope to be able to receive and educate every Cuban that applies for admission.



Martin, Winter Park.

The Ladies—Mr. W. R. O'Neal, Orlando.  
Rollins Abroad—Rev. S. F. Gale,  
Jacksonville.

The responses were all timely and happy and the dinner was a brilliant success.

#### COMMENCEMENT CONCERT.

The concert at Lyman Hall at 8 p. m. in the evening drew a large crowd, many from Orlando and other towns being present. Under the able direction of Miss Jean Shupp it passed off very successfully. The program consisted of sixteen numbers of the cantata of "Joan of Arc," by Gault. The Argument is as follows:

JOAN OF ARC—"the Maid of Orleans"—was born at Domremy on the 6th of January, 1412. Domremy is a village on the banks of the Meuse, in the department of Vosges, France, in a vale prolific in flowers.

Youths and Maidens are holding May festival. One youth, Philip, in love with Joan, laments her absence. Joan comes; but, brooding over the woes of France, ravaged by invading and civil warfare, shuns their festivities, which she leaves as summoned by voices—"The Voices" that become incentives, dear and familiar, to her career. Joan quits the village; the Youths and Maidens lament her departure. To the dictates of her "Voices" Joan seeks aid of Robert de Baudricourt, Governor or Provost of Vaucouleurs, who receives her at first slightly, but, moved by her revelations yields aid (May, 1428). Joan, assuming man's garb (a necessary protection at this period), is clad in armour, a sword, banner and steed are provided her. Accompanied by Jean de Novelonpont, "a brave gentleman of Metz," with another, and "four armed men," Joan journeys to besieged Orleans. Philip is one of those following her career. Their way is full of peril; the rivers are unfordable, swollen by winter rains. They sleep in woods and unfrequented spots. Gien is passed. They reach and enter Orleans; the enemy's watch at the outposts, through fear, not preventing. The siege is raised; the English and Burgundian forces retreat. Joan goes to the Cathedral to give thanks (May, 1429). Other victories follow; the hour of reversal arrives. At Compiegne, driven back from a sortie, the French fight retreating to the drawbridge of the town, which, by treachery or cowardice, is closed on Joan who is captured by the enemy (May, 1430). Taken to Rouen she is tried, condemned, and led to the stake for execution (May, 1431). The Youths and Maidens of Domremy, echoing the song of May, are rebuked by the Villagers, who approach with Philip and Jean de Novelonpont, who tell the sad sequel of a history that has passed into fame.

The characters were represented by the following persons:

Joan of Arc—Mrs. T. P. Baumgarten, soprano.

Philip, a youth of Domremy—Mr. J. M. Cheney, tenor.

Chorus—Hayes Bigelow, Fred Eschminger, C. LeBaron Donovan, Harold Ward, Howard VanSickle; Misses Ruth Ford, Ivy Lewton, Myra G. Williams, Hattie A. Peck, Grace E. Paine, E. Gertrude Wilcox, Gertrude Ford, Faye Ford, Jessamine Lewton, Nina M. Walker, Susie T. Gladwin and Mary S. Hooker.  
Director—Miss Jean M. Shupp.

Accompanist—Miss Laura Walker.

The chorus gave evidence of the careful training it had received, and the entertainment was much enjoyed by all present.

The Orlando contingent are justly proud of the excellent manner in which Mrs. Baumgarten and Mr. J. M. Cheney acquitted themselves, and the occasion was a fitting close of the commencement exercises of Rollins College, which ranks among the first educational institutions of the country.

## TROTH-PLIGHT'S FRUITION

AN IMPORTANT SOCIAL FUNCTION  
SOON TO BE CONSUMMATED.

Mr. Louis Green Stevenson and Miss Helen L. Davis Will Be Joined in the Holy Bonds of Wedlock at the Church Tuesday Evening, Nov. 21.

Society is on the qui vive of expectancy over the approaching nuptials of Mr. Louis Green Stevenson and Miss Helen L. Davis. The happy event will be consummated Tuesday evening at the Second Presbyterian church. The ceremony that will join the lives and fortunes of this interesting couple will be performed by Rev. Mueller, the gifted pastor of the Unitarian church, of which the bride is a devout member. The Stevenson family are members of the Second Presbyterian church. This prospective marital event will be one of the most important social features known in Bloomington in many years.



MISS HELEN L. DAVIS

Invitations have been accepted by many of the most prominent people in Washington, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago and Kentucky, from which State the groom's father, Vice-President A. E. Stevenson, emigrated at an early age.

From outward indications the bride and groom will be handsomely remembered by their many friends and well-wishers.

Miss Helen L. Davis, the bride-elect, is a bright, handsome and intelligent lady who possesses many admirable traits of character. She is accomplished and possesses a fine education. She will make an estimable and devoted wife, and the worthy groom is indeed fortunate in his selection of a life partner. Miss Davis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Davis, prominent people of this section. Mr. Davis is publisher of the Pantagraph, one of the oldest and best known morning daily newspapers in the State. The bride's mother is a daughter of the late Mr. Jesse W. Fell, probably the most venerated pioneer that ever dwelt in McLean county. His name is always spoken with reverence and honored wherever known.

Mr. Louis Green Stevenson, the groom, is specially favored by a long line of honored ancestry. He is the eldest son of the Vice-President, and is his father's private secretary. He is a talented young man and an exemplary, being free from any of the petty vices so common among the rising youth of this generation. He is a writer of considerable ability and has contributed to the press a great deal of acceptable newspaper work.

The contracting parties will spend a brief honeymoon in southern France, Italy and possibly Berlin and London. They will occupy elegant apartments at

the Hotel Normandy in Washington upon their return from the other hemisphere.

The bride's trosser is described by an informant as being a dream of loveliness. It was imported and is the acme of the costumer's art.

The invitations to the church are quite numerous but the cards to the reception at the Davis mansion after the ceremony will be limited to the capacity of the home. It was rumored that President and Mrs. Cleveland would be present to offer their congratulations, but the pres-



MR. LOUIS GREEN STEVENSON.

sure of national business will probably make this feature an impossibility.

THE SUNDAY EYE, which sees for all, and was the first to announce this troth-plight, extends its congratulations and wishes the happy couple long life and prosperity, and a journeying down the pathway of love by the golden chains of love.

The bridesmaids will be Miss Jessie Fell Davis and Miss Mary E. Stevenson, sisters, respectively, of the bride and groom. Mr. Harry M. Earle, of Washington, acts as best man, and the ushers will be Stewart M. Brice, of Lima, O., son of Senator Brice; Frank Funk, Charles Stevenson, Owen Reeves, Lou Merwin and Dole Evans.

Help the good work by subscribing for as many copies of the ADVOCATE'S Descriptive and Business edition of Winter Park, as you can. The work will cost considerably and we want your assistance.

As we expected our editorial on the way the A. M. E. Church here as conducted by its incompetent officers, came all around getting the editor's head washed.

Mr. Cofield had on market for sale this week, some early Florida grown tomatos. They were raised by Dr. Henkel.

—A Pleasing and fanciful sight, is a Tangarin orange tree, in Mr. J. H. Bear's grove near the Seminole hotel, with some 600 of the valuable pods.

—Home people, as well as strange's can't help but express a feeling of admiration over the presentation of that beautifully and evenly growing "baby grove" of Mr. Comstock's. It is a perfect novel.

Men have been taking up the small iron and laying large iron in the place of the smaller for some days on the South Florida R. R. here.

WINTER PARK is being very sensibly and judiciously advertised. Messrs. Chase & Chapman have just issued a new twelve page folder, showing a map of the Florida peninsula, and a finely engraved plat of their embryo town. This new place has an advantageous location upon a group of beautiful lakes where nature has done her best to embellish and beautify the scenery. It has a railroad with a station in the very center of the town plat. It offers all the advantages necessary to secure the success of just such an enterprise as the proprietors of Winter Park have undertaken.



## NOTES FROM WINTER PARK.

The annual meeting of the Library Association was held last week at the Rogers House. The officers chosen for the ensuing year were: President, Mrs. J. A. Ford; vice-president, Mrs. E. L. Maxson; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Geo. D. Rand; librarian, Miss E. L. Lawson; auditor, Mr. Wm. C. Comstock; executive committee, Mrs. Wm. C. Comstock, Mrs. Geo. D. Rand, Miss M. E. Brown.

The librarian's report had several items of interest. Seventy-five books were added to the library during the year, making a total on the catalogue of 1,058 volumes. There were given out during the year 2,330. Of these, 101 were taken by guests at the Seminole and the Rogers House; 259 by students at the college. The greatest number given out in any one month was 116, in December; the largest 257, in March. This is certainly a very good record as to the amount of reading done by a small community, many of whom have a good supply of books and periodicals of their own.

The further fact, however, that of the whole number of books read, something more than eighty per cent. were fiction, is cause for reflection. It is unfortunately true that many readers take out nothing but fiction. These books are evidently read chiefly for recreation, and are read hurriedly. Although great care has been taken in the selection of them, so that all are excellent of their kind, it is surely to be regretted that other branches of literature, requiring more thought and giving better returns in character and acquirement, should be by comparison so greatly neglected.

Yet it may be said in excuse for the excessive reading of fiction during the past year, that our conditions have been unusual. The depressed feeling caused by the loss of property and uncertainty as to the future has sought relief in the creations of fiction. It is also probable that the unusual heat of the past summer may have increased the reading of books which could command the attention in spite of adverse conditions. These excuses are perhaps reasonable. Certainly the best novels ought not to be neglected, since they furnish much of the best writing and some of the wisest thought of our times; but not all, nor in the form best calculated to induce independent thought. The interest of the story is too often allowed to obscure everything else.

This thought has been pursued farther than it would have been had items of real news been more abundant. I find I am not a good "chronicler of the small beer," and this town goes "dry" anyhow.

The bright and handsome college magazine, "The Sandspur," will soon be out in a new number. Commendable pluck and enterprise are shown in undertaking the work at this time.

Preparations have begun for the Christmas celebration by the Sunday schools. The three churches will unite for that occasion in the Lyman gymnasium, and will have a big tree and presents for all, and a program of rare excellence will be presented.

The public tree planting day, already included in these notes, is fixed for next Tuesday, the 17th inst. Men will go out into the hammocks the day previous to dig up and prepare the trees—mostly water oaks. It is expected that about one hundred trees will be set along the streets, and that others, as well as ornamental shrubs will be planted in the parks. A good cleaning and polishing up will be the order of the day. Dinner will be served by the ladies, and great

good humor as well as hard work will characterize the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. L. Mead, of Lake Charm, spent two days in town last week. Mr. Mead is well-known as a successful cultivator of rare orchids, and has discovered new and greatly improved methods for their propagation.

The Epworth League was entertained last Friday evening at the home of Mr. Ronan, and on the same evening the society of Christian Endeavor held its meeting at Knowles Hall. Both were well attended and interesting.

Three mornings of last week were rather colder than we like in this latitude. On the 4th the thermometer indicated 32 degrees. In many places tender vegetables were killed, and in some instances the tender shoots of the oranges were injured. It was a little too near a freeze to be agreeable.

Mr. Charles Mark and Mr. Robert W. Given are among the recent arrivals. Mrs. Mark is spending a few weeks with her son, Prof. Mark, of Harvard college, and will not arrive here until after the holidays. Mr. Given has spent the summer at his old home in Philadelphia and at a sanitarium among the mountains of Pennsylvania, making an excursion meantime into New England.

WINTER PARK, Dec. 10.

Born to Mr and Mrs I S Richardson, last week, a girl. They are well off for girls—this being the fourth or fifth one within 8 years.

The Inn, at Port Tampa, opened on the 5th inst. Guest going to that pleasantly situated house can rest assured that they will be properly cared for.

Send in your dues, gentlemen, if you don't want your names published among our delinquent subscribers.

Our thanks to Rev R B Bradley for his efficient work for THE ADVOCATE. Bradley is no sham.

Get behind everything here and boom it. That's the way to make business. Business never makes itself. You must make business.

Look out now and mind that you are not caught by that whiskey petition! Winter Park is no place for a barroom and we are not going to have it.

Prof S A Williams opened school last Monday with the largest enrollment in its history. He is badly in need of his assistant.

Students for Rollins College have been coming in on almost every train. The number is apt to leave one hundred and twenty far in the rear before two weeks.

Miss Williamson was tendered a grand reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Huntington on Friday evening, Sept. 29th. Too much cannot be said in praise of the excellent arrangements.

Dr. M. M. Moore, presiding elder of the Enterprise district, was in town last Wednesday and spent the afternoon with Rev. S. A. Williams and family. The doctor is well pleased with the new A. M. E.

## THE INDEPENDENT MEETING AT WINTER PARK.

AIR: "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night."

There's a gathering of the people  
In the hall of Winter Park,  
They have come from every quarter  
Just to hear the Mugwumps bark;  
Democrats, just three are present,  
Inds. and Pops. and Reps. are there,  
And, as if to cap the climax,  
Mahlon Gore is in the chair.

When the audience, fairly counted,  
Figures up to just fourteen  
(Tho' the Independents call it  
"Largest gathering ever seen"),  
Then the chairman, glancing 'round him,  
Says that it is growing late,  
And altho' more are expected,  
Yet it won't be wise to wait.

"Fellow citizens and neighbors,"  
(Thus commenced the doughty Gore),  
"When my followers from Orlando  
"Forced me here to take the floor  
"Gaiest the Ring, who call us 'Bolters,'  
"Independents—more's the shame—  
"Yet my very boon companions  
"For THAT say I am to blame.

"Let them say so, I can stand it,  
"Tho' the accusation's hard,  
"For there's many of my followers  
"With the same stick should be tarred."  
"Jones, the Colonel, now'll address you  
"On the issues of the day."  
(Here John Jones got on the platform  
And at once began to say):

"When I came to Orange county,  
"Ten or fifteen years ago,  
"The old Democratic party  
"Was sound, as parties go;"  
"But, alas! it makes my heart bleed  
"When I see the filth and all  
"Corruptions now within our party.  
(Here five persons left the hall.)

"And it really does surprise me  
"That Joe Whitner now should bring  
"Aid unto those precious scoundrels—  
"Surely, HE'S not of the Ring;  
"For he looks to God Almighty—  
"Not to 'Jesus-Jim'—for bread."  
(Here the Democratic voters  
Rose up, snatched their hats, and fled.)

Then the chairman, quickly rising,  
Hinted that he'd had enough  
Of such argument, and requested  
Jewell to produce HIS stuff.

"Gentlemen," began the Colonel,  
As he scanned his audience o'er,  
"I'm not feeling quite like talking,  
(Here his eyes turned toward the door)  
"And the orator just spoken  
"Has so covered all the ground  
"That there's nothing left to mention."  
(Here the Colonel sat him down).

Then the audience, recognizing  
True wit in these words so plain,  
Jumped upright upon the benches,  
Yelled, and yelled, then yelled again.  
When the clamor had subsided,  
Then the Chair once more arose—  
"Mr. Massey will address you;  
"He will tell you all he knows."

Then up rose the mighty Massey,  
And the air quite frosty grew:—  
"When I get to Tallahassee  
"Here are some things I will do:  
"I will wear no Jim Beggs collar,  
"Of no Ring I'll be the tool;  
"I'll abolish all the taxes,  
"Give each man a farm and mule.

"All the Senate by the people  
"Shall be chosen; that's MY view.  
"I will run the Legislature,  
"If I must, to get this through;  
"I will have our tax sale altered,  
"Change our cattle laws as well."  
("Yes," said one disgusted listener,  
"WHEN you get there you'll play h—l.")

"Midst the gathering gloom, the chairman  
Once more rises to his feet,  
And, with chattering teeth, announces  
That the show is now complete;  
And each worn-out listener mutters,  
As he disappears from sight,  
"In my Independent judgment  
"There has been a frost to-night."

—Winter Park Cor. Sentinel.

church, and he even thinks it surpasses all in the district.

Miss Dart and her assistant Miss Guild opened the Knowles public school last Monday with 49 scholars—the largest beginning in the history of that school. Miss Dart is a perfect model in a school room and we are proud to say that her services are well appreciated by the people of this place.

The ladies' library is enjoying quite a boom and we hope to see all our citizens help it along, at least to the extent of an annual membership, costing only one dollar.



# EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY

Of Mrs. Amelia M. Weed Hopkins, Celebrated June 17th.

The eightieth birthday of Mrs. Amelia M. Hopkins, who a little over one year ago, moved from the north and purchased the open home, on Interlarken avenue, Winter Park, was celebrated on the 17th of this month, in her new home which she has named "Van-Vree." The interior of the house and the enclosed piazza, which commands a fine view of Lake Osceola, was trimmed with flags, as befitted the anniversary of Bunker Fort and the birthday of a cherished mother, with appropriate mottoes and decorations in green.

Numerous voice gifts from relatives and friends from the North and South, East and West, as far as the Pacific Coast, were shown on a mahogany table devoted to that purpose, and upon which her own mother and father, her husband and herself, and a married daughter and her husband, partook of their first meals in their respective homes when first married. The quality and quantity of these offerings and the fifty congratulatory letters received, not including several very unique original poems, written for the occasion, offered valuable testimony as to the affection and high regard in which the interesting, sprightly, and gifted lady, who took pains to explain she was "eighty years young," was held in the hearts of her friends and relatives. Among them were two letters, from old and dear schoolmates, whose birthdays occurred within a few days of her own, while another schoolmate, Miss Mary Brown, of Winter Park, also born in June, was present, and delighted everyone by rendering in her most finished style, an exquisite poem, entitled "The Soul's Oratoria."

A brief sketch of her mother's life, illustrated with a picture of her birthplace, and characteristic incidents and anecdotes of a life distinguished for unselfishness, and the warmth and glow of an unusually merry disposition and happy spirit. Given by Mrs. Amelia Weed Holbro.

The Honorable Mayor, Mr. Richmond, followed by appropriate address to Mrs. Hopkins, which was delivered with great grace and eloquence. Hon.

## A Large Pineapple.

We had the pleasure of meeting this morning Mr. L. N. Chase, of Florida, who is on his way to New York from Florida. He had with him an immense pineapple that weighed ten pounds, and was twenty-three inches in circumference. It was raised on Gen. Sandford's plantation, in Orange county, Florida, and was one of a very large number, which was almost of equal weight and size. Mr. Chase had with him some fine lemons, also raised on the same plantation which he also takes along with him as a specimen of what Florida can raise.

Mrs. Charles H. Legg, Mr. Frank W. Legg, Mrs. Earnest Legg, and Mrs. H. M. Call, all of Cambridge, Mass., are at Mrs. Guild's. Mrs. Legg is a sister of Mrs. G's. Mr. Legg is a photographer; has a full outfit on the way here, and will open a gallery as soon as his goods arrive. I have seen several practicing before the glass already in anticipation of getting "took."

THE BLOOMINGTON COLONY is quite large here now and we will gladly welcome all who will come. Mr. Clarence Alcott is slowly improving. Mr. Cady is doing finely and we hope to make a genuine "cracker" of him. The balance of the colony is well and manage to barely exist on strawberries, peas, lettuce, tomatoes, beets, cabbage, etc., fresh from the garden. With kindly remembrances to all old friends, Very respectfully,  
NEAC.

Henry S. Chubb gave a complimentary speech, appropriate to his theme, "The Day We Celebrate," which was followed by a humorous recitation by Mrs. Diffendorfer. Extracts, from a few letters were read and several of the rhyme occasioned considerable mirth, one particularly beginning with a reference to the Queen of England and signed, "Eva" running in this meter:

The sweetest name of all is "Mother,"  
The Queen is one, "and you're another,"  
"TEN TIMES EIGHT."

To our Queen Mother on her Eightieth Birthday, June 17th, 1899.

"There's a good time coming," somebody sung  
A long time ago, when the world was young,  
And I think, Mother dear, this must be the date,  
For to-day we rejoice that you're Ten times Eight.

Oh! such a record of beautiful years,  
Smiles for our happiness, tears for our tears;  
And we thank the good Lord for such happy fate,  
That Mother is with us, at Ten times Eight.

Accept fondest love, from your children afar,  
Kind wishes, that nothing the "Birthday" shall mar,  
For our Mother so clever, so "quite up to date,"  
Our lovely "Queen Mother" of Ten times Eight.  
—CORA.

At the same hour refreshments were served in Winter Park, making allowance for changes of time, friends gathered in Chicago, New York, Rochester, Bethlehem, Pa., and Saratoga Springs, to to drink to the health and happiness of their beloved relative, and partake of the birthday cake, which had been sent them.

The birthday cakes were unique, and a distinctive feature of the occasion: they were handsomely decorated, with bows of white moire ribbon, on which were painted in artistic design, the words "Mother," "Grandmother," "Great Grandmother." The cakes were surrounded with ferns and flowers, and photographs of children and grandchildren, and in the center of the table was a pyramid of small iced sponge cakes, surrounded by a wreath of tiny white jessamine buds, four sweet baby faces peeping from behind and between the leaves.

What added greatly to the interest of the occasion was the fact that the entire affair was a complete surprise to Mrs. Hopkins.

## Bloomingtonians Abroad.

We received a call this morning from two brethren, Wm. Smith and L. A. Chase. Smith is the educational light of McLean county, while Chase holds up the financial end of the Bloomington Pantagraph. The two missionaries came over here to see about the Call. They have long cherished friendly feelings toward Henderson, and they have come over to board with him and undecieve him in relation to their true purpose. The gentlemen are truly welcome.—Peoria Journal.

Can it be that these gentlemen contemplate leaving Bloomington? It is to be hoped not, however the Call is a fine property.

The most numerous are the mocking bird. They sometimes fill the air with their melody during the day, and occasionally keep it up all night. The mocking bird would soon become very abundant were it not for an enemy called the butcher bird. I presume so-called because of its murderous propensities. It is about the size of the mocking bird, but much the more formidable in its weapons. It attacks the mocking bird, and by some process cuts its head off. Quails are quite abundant. While sitting at my window writing a flock of about twenty quails are running around the yard picking up the crumbs.

In a future letter I will tell you about the oranges. Your pupil,  
LEON B. TANTUM.

Rockledge  
July 22, 1887

While the outcome of the plans of Winter Park has been wonderfully successful from almost any point from which it can be viewed, it has had its days and months of discouragement, and, to the founders there have been times when it seemed as though the charming plans they had evolved for their ideal town must be either abandoned or so modified as to take away a great many of their charms.

Everybody had a pleasant word for the plan and beauty of the place, while but few came forward with their time and money to help it along.

Such a time was experienced for almost a year before the formation of the present Winter Park Co. and to the successful outcome of the plans then formed and the enlistment of so many enthusiastic workers, the success of the place, one might almost say the very life of the town are indebted.

Prominent among those workers and friends, the name of J. E. Welborne can be mentioned as one who was with us in the darkest days and whose work, advice and money aided largely in bringing about the happy state of affairs now existing. With the main facts of his life and doings the public is perhaps familiar but, certainly, a short resume of them can not be out of place. Born in Indiana of parents who had originally lived in Kentucky, his education was received in the University of Tennessee. He studied law in Indiana where he practiced for several years and served two terms in the Legislature. Coming to Florida about the time of the foundation of Winter Park he was one of the first to purchase a lot on which he erected one of the neatest cottages in this part of the State. Possessing intimate knowledge of the law his advice was sought almost unceasingly in framing the plans and getting the town on its present firm legal foundation. Hours and days were spent by that little band of workers in the small office which was then located in a small room on the second floor back in the Rogers House. Objections to this and that feature of the maturing plans were discussed and made to conform to the law and finally the present charter, which all who are acquainted with its provisions are enthusiastic over, was presented to other able counsel, pronounced perfect, introduced to the Legislature of Florida and by them passed without any material amendment or dissent. In all the various readings, alterations, and changes Judge Welborne's views and opinions were potent and the fact that we have a charter that is one of the most liberal and impregnable grants ever passed by the Legislature of Florida is largely due to his counsel. The company was formed, new surveys and plats were made and the construction of the hotel begun. Consultations were of nightly occurrence in the cottage of Mr. Rollins adjacent to the Seminole grounds, legal questions, matters of taste and expediency were discussed, in nearly all of which he participated and so in addition to legal advice, we are indebted to him for many of the tasty features of "the finest hotel in the State of Florida." Others may tell of his public life and doings the object of this article is to barely touch upon his relations to Winter Park, and it must be conceded, that from the first, our beautiful little place has had no firmer friend than the subject of this sketch.

## A Breezy Note From Winter Park.

To the Editor.

WINTER PARK, April 20.

Knowing that you are somewhat interested in our place, I thought I would write to let you know what has been going on for the last few weeks. We have succeeded in organizing a stock company, headed by such men as Col. Franklin Fairbanks and Mr. F. B. Knowles, of the Fairbanks Scale Company; Mr. F. W. Lyman, of Minneapolis; Mr. A. W. Rollins, a prominent capitalist of Chicago; Mr. W. C. Comstock, of the Chicago board of trade; Mr. L. A. Chase and others.

## A HOTEL AND A COLLEGE.

The plans are all ready for one of the finest hotels in Florida, and we have secured the location of a college that starts off with a fund of \$150,000 under the patronage of the Congregational association of the United States, so that the question of so many, "How can we educate our children in Florida?" is settled as far as our locality is concerned. So to everybody we say, if you contemplate locating in Florida, either for the sake of your health or your children's, or for business reasons, come to this most delightful spot and we can offer you all the advantages of business, health, education and pleasure that you can obtain anywhere, north or south.

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